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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture estimates the cotton crop at 10,417,000 bales. —— The Senate was in session yesterday only an hour and a half; the House passed the bill to appropriate $50,000 to defray expenses of the anthracite coal commission and adjourned until Friday. —— Jas. Rochelle Tyler, a grandson of President Tyler, died at the Confederate Soldiers' Home in Richmond, Va. Great Britain and Germany are taking naval measures to secure satisfaction from Venezuela. —— The coal strike commissioners met yesterday and continued hearing of the miners' side of the strike. —— Ex-Speaker Reed has an attack of catarrhal appendicitis. —— Twelve men are missing and a score or more were seriously injured as a result of an explosion on the steamer Progreso at San Francisco. —— In an accident at iron works at Sharon, Pa., two men were killed and three others seriously injured. —— Cold wave in Texas. —— New York markets: Money on call firm at 6@7 per cent., the market closing offered at 4 per cent.; cotton quiet at 8 55c; flour was firmer and a shade easier; wheat—spot easy; No. 2, 78½c; corn—spot firm; No. 2, 64c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Dep't of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 3.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 66 degrees; 8 P. M., 67 degrees; maximum, 67 degrees; minimum, 62 degrees; mean, 68 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .31; rainfall since 1st of month to date, .31.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

Washington, Dec. 3.—For North Carolina: Fair and colder Thursday and Friday; fresh west winds.

Port Almanac—December 4.

Sun Rises	6.54 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.46 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 54 M.
High Water at Southport	10.40 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	1.10 A. M.

Hon. Abram S. Hewitt says he isn't a Republican and isn't a Democrat, which puts him on the fence.

Miss Krupp, daughter of the late Herr Krupp, of Germany, is a very attractive young lady. Aside from her personal charms her father left her $75,000,000.

It is said that the British Government has gotten scent of about $2,500,000 of Transvaal gold bars in the possession of Uncle Paul Kruger and Dr. Leyds, and wants them.

President Wilson, of Princeton University, wants only $12,000,000 for that institution and has gone to the "windy city" to discuss with its friends how to raise the wind.

The potato peelers in the Chicago hotels have formed a union and insist on the cooks joining them. It wants shorter hours and more pay if the hasheries expect peeled potatoes.

A bishop preached on the "Dangers of Wealth" in Omaha on Thanksgiving day. That doesn't interest the average editor, who is in no danger at all from anything of that kind.

A footballist says in the New York *World* that it is rarely that a "seasoned player gets injured." Maybe not, but the trouble is that while a fellow is getting seasoned he may be smashed all out of shape.

John S. Wise says the negro of Virginia has no friend but himself—that is John S. If that be so the Virginia negro must be in a pretty rough row of stumps, for John is a poor help.

Mr. Hanna says the "thought of resigning from the Senate has never entered my head." It wouldn't enter our head either if we were there. The job of a U. S. Senator is a soft snap and altogether lovely.

One of our Republican contemporaries is discussing the "fuel of the future." If some of these Republican editors do not mend their ways and reform they will learn more about the fuel of the future than they will want to know.

The meanest man in the Indian Territory is the Rev. Joseph Lesler, who sometime ago advertised for a wife and now threatens to publish a book with 250 love letters evoked by that advertisement. And Joe is out there teaching the Indians how to be decent.

The New York *Journal of Commerce* has started a guessing match between the members of the New York Cotton Exchange on cotton crop estimates for this year. They range all the way from 10,400,000 to 11,800,000, the average being, 11,077,000 bales. They took a pretty free range.

ELKS' "LODGE OF SORROW."

Annual Memorial Service Will be Held Sunday Afternoon in Academy of Music—Appropriate Programme.

The annual memorial exercises of the Wilmington Lodge of Elks, or "Lodge of Sorrow" as it is more properly called, will be held Sunday afternoon in the Academy of Music simultaneously with similar services by the B. P. O. E. order all over the world.

The exercises in Wilmington this year will be of the usual high standard of excellence and will be presided over by Exalted Ruler William J. Bellamy. The annual oration will be by Past Exalted Ruler C. F. Tomlinson, of Winston, an eloquent speaker and an enthusiastic Elk. The arrangements for the event are well nigh complete and have been made by an energetic committee composed of Mr. John J. Fowler (chairman), Maj. W. F. Robertson, Capt. C. McD. Davis, Messrs. L. Stein, B. F. King, John J. Blair, and Thomas H. Wright.

The musical features of the occasion as usual, will be of an elaborate nature. Hollowbush's Orchestra has been engaged for the instrumental selections and a quartette embracing some of the best talent in the city will render the vocal numbers. It is composed as follows: Mrs. J. D. Edwards, soprano; Mrs. Greene Fenley, alto; Mr. Greene Fenley, tenor, and Mr. A. S. Holden, baritone. Mrs. Samuel J. Springer will contribute a solo, "My Redeemer and My Lord," during the progress of the musical entertainment.

Rev. Richard W. Hogue, rector of St. James' parish, will offer the opening prayer and the other devotional exercises will be conducted by Dr. James Carmichael, rector of St. John's parish, and chaplain of the lodge.

The ushers will be Messrs F. K. Tomlinson, John R. Turrentine, Jr., "Jack" Bellamy, B. B. Jackson, Oscar W. Morris, Champ McD. Davis, Julius Taylor and H. G. Smallbones.

Messrs. Cowan Bros., lessees of the Academy, have kindly offered the house to the Elks free of charge, a favor which the Elks appreciate in no small degree.

A BEAUTIFUL HOME WEDDING.

Mrs. Edythe Daisy Waddell, the Bride of Mr. John Edward Platt—Reception.

A quiet but very pretty wedding ceremony at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Alice E. Thees, No. 313 Chesnut street, last night at 9 o'clock joined in marriage her daughter, Mrs. Edythe Daisy Waddell and Mr. John Edward Platt, both popular young people of Wilmington.

The ceremony was performed in the presence of only a few friends and relatives of the bride and groom, the quietness of the service being on account of a recent bereavement in the death of the bride's father. Rev. J. N. Cole, pastor of Grace M. E. church, performed the ceremony and the parlors of the home in which the marriage was celebrated were tastefully decorated with smilax, palms, ferns and other evergreens.

The bride wore a becoming gown of mode Venetian cloth, trimmed with white chiffon and black velvet. Her bouquet was a lovely one of bride's roses.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was given at which the bride and groom were the recipients of many happy congratulations.

LOCAL DOTS.

— A general meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

— Rev. J. H. M. Giles, of Newport, N. C., will preach at Bladen Street M. E. church at 7:30 P. M. this evening.

— Stephen Meier, colored, was arrested last night by Policeman H. P. Merritt for an assault upon his wife at Second and Davis streets.

— A meeting of the N. C. Sorosis will be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon in the club rooms. All members are urged to be in attendance.

— The schooner *Estelle*, Capt. Hutchinson, cleared yesterday with a cargo of lumber for Providence, consigned by the Cape Fear Lumber Co.

— The little infant which has been twice laid at the door of residents in the city by unknown parties, was yesterday given a comfortable home with a family on Harnett, between Fourth and Fifth streets.

Florida Schooner in Distress.

The Jacksonville schooner *Glenfield*, Capt. I. W. Culberth, bound from her home port to Providence with a cargo of lumber, put in at Southport night before last for harbor. She encountered a heavy southeast gale on her passage up 45 miles East, S. E. of Frying Pan Shoals light ship and a part of her sails were carried away. She was also strained to such an extent that she is leaking badly. Capt. Culbreth came up to the city yesterday and communicated with his owners relative to a disposition of the vessel.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. H. Hardin—Helps to comfort.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Xmas is com'g
Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Statement.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Welsbach drop lights.

N. C. CONFERENCE.

Sixty-sixth Annual Session Convened Yesterday in Grace M. E. Church.

THE STANDING COMMITTEES.

Excellent Report From Trinity College, Presiding Elders Told of Work in Their Districts — Sermon by Dr. Moore—Proceedings.

The sixty-sixth annual session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, was called to order yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock, at Grace Church, Bishop A. Coke Smith presiding.

The Bishop read hymn No. 231, and after singing led in fervent prayer. The Scripture lesson, Ephesians 3rd chapter, was read and expounded by the Bishop, special emphasis being laid upon the necessity for a Christ inspired ministry, and the marvelous revelation of power in man through Jesus Christ.

Rev. W. L. Cunnighim, who has served as Secretary of the Conference for the last ten years, was again unanimously reelected. He nominated and the Conference confirmed the following: Assistant Secretary, N. H. D. Wilson; Recording Secretary, G. T. Simmons; Statistical Secretaries, R. H. Broom, H. G. Stamey, E. W. Fox and S. E. Mercer.

The roll of the Conference was called, and a very large per cent. of the membership, clerical and lay, was found to be present.

Rev. W. S. Rone, in behalf of the cabinet of Presiding Elders, nominated, and the Conference confirmed the following Boards and Committees:

Board of Missions—Clerical: A. McCullen, F. B. McCall, T. A. Smoot, N. H. D. Wilson, A. J. Groves, R. F. Bumpass, H. M. Eure, W. W. Rose and R. H. Willis. Lay: M. Mial, J. B. Walker, J. M. Lamb, F. B. Gibson, J. N. Gibbons, Dr. J. F. Miller, T. H. Gatlin, R. B. Boyd and G. H. Newby.

Board of Education—Clerical: J. B. Hurley, D. N. Caviness, J. M. Ashby, L. S. Massey, J. H. Hall, N. E. Coltrane, A. P. Tyre, J. M. Rhodes and M. H. Tuttle. Lay: J. G. Brown, J. H. Southgate, L. B. Bynum, W. L. Parsons, A. M. Council, W. H. Rhodes, Dr. J. W. Jones, Dr. D. B. Zollicoffer and W. B. Blanchard.

Epworth League Board—Clerical: G. T. Adams, W. C. Norman, W. F. Craven, M. D. Hix, A. S. Barnes, H.B. Anderson, R. C. Beaman, E. H. Davis and A. J. Parker. Lay: G. S. Barker, R. L. Flowers, T. C. Williams, J. W. Moore, D. J. Lewis, T. J. W. Crowder, W. T. Deans, H. A. Boyd and Z. W. Evans.

Joint Board of Finance—Clerical: G. F. Smith, W. C. Norman, R. W. Bailey, G. A. Oglesby, J. A. Hornaday, J. M. Benson, J. D. Bundy and J. H. Old. Lay: B. B. Adams, W. H. McCall, Q. K. Nimocks, H. A. Page, W. E. Springer, T. A. Green, J. F. Benton, J. T. Flythe and C. E. Cramer.

Board of Church Extension—Clerical: J. H. Shore, G. B. Perry, H. G. Stamey, S. E. Mercer, J. W. Martin, E. Pope, D. A. Watkins, T. H. Sutton and D. H. Tuttle. Lay: E. B. McCullen, U. M. Wahab, J. M. Benson, W. I. Everett, A. J. Johnson, C. P. Dey, T. M. Anderson, E. A. Thomas and J. W. Evans.

Sunday School Board—Clerical: K, D. Holmes, J. A. Daily, J. Sanford, L. S. Etheridge, J. J. Porter, W. H. Townsend, L. L. Nash, D. D., H. A. Humble and W. E. Hocutt. Lay: B. W. Ballard, J. N. Long, C. W. Bynum, F. L. Bundy, W. B. Cooper, G. S. Pritchard, G. D. Boast, T. W. Mason, L. G. Roper.

Committee on Books and Periodicals—Clerical: W. H. Puckett, N. E. Yearby, W. F. Craven, J. A. Lee, J. N. Cole, J. H. M. Giles, C. W. Robinson, E. E. Rose and D. H. Tuttle. Lay: M. Mial, S. S. Langford, B. Cole, A. W. E. Capel, A. J. Johnson, D. Ward, J. F. Bruton, W. A. Ellison and L. L. Smith.

Committee on Conference Relations—Clerical: M. T. Plyler, N. M. Watson, L. E. Thompson, C. O. DuRant, C. C. Brothers, D. C. Geddie, J. M. Benson, J. G. Johnson and C. P. Jerome.

Committee on Church Property—Clerical: G. W. Fisher, J. B. Thompson, H. G. Stamey, B. C. Allred, W. D. Sasser, J. M. Lowder, L. H. Joyner, R. L. Davis and H. M. Jackson.

Committee on Temperance—Clerical: G. B. Starling, F. B. McCall, E. M. Snipes, Z. P. Harrison, A. S. Barnes, J. E. Thompson, L. L. Nash, B. C. Thompson, and D. H. Tuttle. Lay: L. H. Allred, J. B. Northam, J. D. Barnes, F. L. Bundy, N. J. Johnson, R. H. Baxter, W. K. Jacobson, D. B. Zollicoffer, and L. G. Roper.

Committee on Sabbath Observances—E. A. Yates, M. Bradshaw, J. D. Bundy, L. S. Massey and J. H. Hall.

Committee on Admissions—J. D. Pegram, W. C. Norman, L. E. Thompson, F. M. Shamburger, M. Bradshaw, J. N. Cole, A. P. Tyer, D. L. Earnhardt, and C. P. Jerome.

Committee for Admission on Trial—G. T. Adams, M. H. Tuttle and C. W. Robinson.

First Year Committee—R. H. Willis, S. E. Mercer, E. W. Fox.

Second Year Committee—N. M. Watson, A. L. Ormand, and N. E. Coltraine.

Third Year Committee—R. C. Bernan. J. D. Bundy, and J. H. Shore.

Fourth Year Committee—E. H. Davis, L. E. Thompson and B. C. Allred.

The Bishop presented communications from the Publishing House, Church Extension Board, Sunday School Board, Epworth League Board, all of which were referred without reading to appropriate committees for consideration.

Dr. C. F. Reid, a returned missionary from Corea, was introduced and briefly addressed the Conference on the great missionary outlook and obligation of the church of the Twentieth Century. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, had given last year, he said, more than a million dollars to foreign missions; the Woman's Board had collected nearly half a million more, but this is but a tithe of what might be accomplished if the whole church were fully aroused. Some comparative statistics were given showing how much the Moravian Church excelled all others in proportion to numbers in foreign mission work. The speaker contended that every church here at home that paid a pastor's salary of $2,000 or $1,500 ought also to support a missionary in some foreign field; instead of this, however, 93 per. cent. of all money collected is spent upon the home church, leaving only 7 per cent. for the foreign work. "The blessing of God" cannot rest upon such a manifestation of selfishness.

Dr. J. M. Lander and Miss Mary Pescud, now on leave of absence from mission work in Brazil, were introduced to the Conference.

Dr. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, this city, was introduced to the Conference by the Bishop as a fellow-workman whose heart was first warmed by the fire of Methodist altars; Dr. McClure responded pleasantly to the words of greeting and spoke of his good will and warm affection for Methodism.

Dr. Blackwell of the First Baptist church, was introduced by the Bishop as a good Baptist brother who kindly, on one occasion in Norfolk, filled his pulpit for him when he was sick. To this Dr. Blackwell promptly responded: "Yes Bishop, and I should like for you now to pay the debt by filling the pulpit of my church at one service next Sunday."

The Board of Trustees of Trinity College through President Kilgo, presented its report, which was read and referred to the Board of Education. This report bristles with interesting statements and figures. The number of students this year enrolled in the college proper is 201; enrolled in the High School 134, making a total on the campus of 335—a record for growth in the last seven years unequaled by any college in the South. On the campus are 23 buildings worth $331,000; present endowment $447,451; gifts received this year $130,000; the best library building of any Southern College; $10,000 worth of books recently purchased; annual income of the college $31,000; a faculty of 16 full professors and seven assistants. All in all the report shows the college to be in a most healthy and prosperous condition, doing a great work for the church and for the State.

Under the call of the 20th Question, all the Presiding Elders reported and their characters were passed.

Dr. Gibbs, of the Raleigh District, said all the preachers of his, this year receive their salaries in full. Half the charges paid all the collections in full, the others in advance of last year.

Dr. Moore, of the Durham District, reported an increase in all collections; $3,000 in hand for building a district parsonage. And the church prosperous and healthy.

Dr. Swindell, of the New Bern District said; "We have been doing some material work. Several parsonages and churches have been built and repaired; collections in advance of last year, especially missions; it has been a harmonious and pleasant year."

Rev. F. A. Bishop, presiding elder of the Washington District, reported three or four hundred conversions, and decided improvement in all financial matters.

Rev. R. B. John, presiding elder of the Wilmington District, reported good removals in most of the charges; health of the preachers good, except Bro. Goodchild at Southport. Collections far in advance of last year. One new parsonage has been built and three new churches; but the greatest thing accomplished in the district this year is the freedom of Fifth street Church from debt. Bishop Smith here took occasion to rejoice at the deliverance of Fifth Street Church, and to exhort the preachers against church debts.

Rev. R. A. Willis, of the Warrenton District, reported many souls converted during the year, and many church debts paid, and several churches and parsonages built; salaries not paid in full, but mission collections much in advance of last year.

Rev. W. S. Rone, presiding elder of the Rockingham District, reported a parsonage for every charge and a good district parsonage; more paid on salaries and collections than last year.

Rev. J. E. Underwood, of the Elizabeth City District, reported about one thousand conversions on the district and 670 accessions to the church; two handsome churches have been completed during the year, one at Elizabeth City, the other at Hertford; a mission institute was held early in the year and every preacher who attended it brought up his collections in full; the assessment for missions on the district paid in full.

Rev. Dr. Du Bose, General Secretary of the Epworth League work, was introduced and addressed the Conference. He spoke especially of the need of intelligent and consecrated workers, and in sentences that thrilled and sparkled and gleamed, he electrified the large audience with the rightness of his convictions and the glorious rewards that would come to those who like their Lord Christ seek to uplift and bless humanity.

At 1 o'clock the Conference adjourned with the doxology and benediction by Dr E. A. Yates, of Durham.

The Evening Service.

At 8 o'clock a large audience assembled in the spacious auditorium to hear the Conference sermon to be preached by Rev. Dr. W. H. Moore, presiding elder of the Durham district.

The distinguished speaker took for his text Jeremiah 8: 22: "Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why, then, is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered?"

No outline can do the sermon justice, for it was compact with thought, expressed in terse but elegant language. He said in part: "Is sin a necessity in any human life?" is the great problem that confronts us. Sin is in the world, and has been here since the time of Adam. Of every one it is true as sung by Dr. Watts—

"Sprung from the man whose guilty fall
Corrupts his race, and taints us all."

Can we under such conditions live a pure and sinless life? Many are ready to answer *no*, and say it with all the emphasis that can be thrown into language. But the question is one of possibility, and not of actuality. Admitting that no one but Christ has lived a sinless life, does not affect the question, for there are a multitude of things possible to be done by men which no man has yet done. A generation ago a man would have been laughed at for asserting as possible what has already been done. The work of Galileo, Franklin, Morse and Watts are illustrative of this.

The text admits the morally diseased condition of men, but points to the medicine and the physician to administer it. If there were no medicine to cure and no physician to administer it, the question of the text would not be asked. Therefore sin is not a necessity in any human life; the medicine and the physician are at hand for its cure.

Some proposition are to be discussed:

1st. If sin is not necessary in men, then what excuse has any man to live in sin.

2nd. Let us all recognize the purity to which we are called, and strive to attain it.

No unholy man can be a mouthpiece for God. I have before me tonight what I believe to be the noblest body of men, the most unselfish, the most consecrated, who have blessed the church in North Carolina at any time.

Hail, all hail ye ministers of Christ, on whose commission God has put fresh seals this year. May you get a fresh baptism from on high and go from this mount, where you have talked with God, shot through and through with the glory Moses caught, and which sat on Stephen's face at his death.

Conference Notes.

No afternoon sessions are held. At 3 o'clock the Bishop and his cabinet meet in private session to wrestle with the problem of finding the right man for every church and the right church for every man. Great power is lodged in the hands of the Methodist Bishop, but in the marvellous history of the church, it is a power that seldom, if ever, has been abused.

This is the second conference over which Bishop Smith has presided since his call to the Episcopal office. He presides with ease, dignity and kindness. Ever and anon the soul of the preacher is stirred within him and wholesome words warm from the heart inspire and quicken and fill the hearts of those who hear him.

At 3 P. P. M. every day a large number of boards and committees are at work, sifting crude matter and relieving the pressure of conference matter at many points, and in this way more work is done in five days than could possibly be done in a month without them.

SAD DEATH OF A YOUNG LADY.

Miss Lizzie Kirkham, After Extended Illness, Passed Away Last Night.

The announcement of the death of Miss Lizzie G. Kirkham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kirkham, which occurred at 8:55 o'clock last night, will be received with genuine sorrow by the friends of this fair young girl. Gifted by nature with beauty of face and form, and with a grace of manner that won the hearts of all who knew her, there survives her a loveliness of character that will ever be a sweet memory to those who loved her.

Patiently she suffered through her long and painful illness, thus exemplifying the brightness of her Christian character. At times a ray of hope would penetrate the sick chamber, giving encouragement to those who anxiously waited and watched by her bedside. But the best efforts of skilled physicians and trained nurses—all that loving hearts and hands could do—were all in vain; and the spirit of Lizzie Kirkham passed into the shadowy beyond. That "Death loves a shining mark" and that "The good die young" were painfully illustrated in the death of one who had only reached her seventeenth year.

A lovely flower has been transplanted to the garden of Eternal Life. A warm young heart has ceased to beat. But those who were near and dear to her "sorrow not as those who have no hope."

"Life's fitful fever over, she sleeps well."

— A scarlet fever quarantine at 515 Queen street was lifted by Health Officer Hewlett yesterday. Roy Purdie, four years old, who was visiting Miss Carrie Price, was the patient.

AN EVENING WEDDING

Miss Kate Harlow and Mr. R. G. Rankin, Jr., Married in St. James' Church.

A FASHIONABLE ASSEMBLAGE

Ceremony One of the Prettiest Witnessed in Years—Bridal Tour North—Complimentary Reception and Dance Last Night—Attendants.

One of the prettiest wedding ceremonies ever witnessed in historic Saint James' church was that yesterday evening at 6 o'clock, which joined in marriage Miss Kate Harlow, an attractive young daughter of Capt. and Mrs. W. L. Harlow, of this city, and Mr. Robert George Rankin, Jr., a young man of Wilmington, prominent in the business and social world.

The ceremony was performed at 6 o'clock by the Rev. Richard W. Hogue, rector of the parish, and the church auditorium was thronged with friends and relatives of the contracting parties, representing the wealth and fashion of the city. The interior of the edifice was profusely, but quite tastefully decorated by Kohler, the florist, and the beautiful altar at which the solemn rites were observed was brilliantly lighted by a myriad of electrics. The scene was a lovely one indeed.

As the guests were assembling Mr. E. H. Munson, the accomplished organist, skillfully rendered selections from "Miss Simplicity" and the bridal party entered to tuneful strains from Lohengrin. Led by the first bridesmaid, Miss Ella May Rankin, the eight other bridesmaids first entered from the vestry room at the southeast corner of the building and marched in pairs around and midway up the centre aisle where they arranged themselves to the left and right, allowing the pretty little ribbon boy and girl, Master Walker Taylor, Jr., and Miss Sue Northrop, to pass between, followed by the nine groomsmen. As the last of the last named group passed, the first bridesmaid and her attendants followed in their wake. The ribbon children rested at the steps of the chancel forming a gateway through which the groomsmen and bridesmaids passed to the altar, gracefully grouping themselves around the rail. While this arrangement was taking place the maid of honor, Miss Amy Harlow, sister of the groom, came down the centre aisle, followed by the lovely bride, leaning on the arm of her father, Capt. W. L. Harlow. Simultaneously the groom, accompanied by his best man Mr. Henry B. Peschau, entered from the vestry room and joined the bride at the altar, where the solemn words were spoken that made them man and wife. Both the manner of entrance into and exit of the bridal party from the church was an innovation that proved especially pleasing.

To the joyous melody of Mendelsohn's wedding march the party passed out in the following order:

Miss Amy Harlow, maid of honor, Mr. Henry B. Peschau, best man; Miss May Ella Rankin, first bridesmaid, Mr. R. H. Gwaltney; Misses Mabel Powers, of Atlanta, and Louise Harlow, Messrs. W. C. Ragin, of Macon, and O. A. Wiggins, Jr.; Misses Carrie Wright and Alice Borden, Messrs. John B. Peschau and Henry McMillan; Misses Leonora Cantwell and Bettie DeRosset, Messrs. T. B. Willard and "Jack" Bellamy; Misses Olive Armstrong and Octavia Boatwright, Messrs. F. W. Dick, of Fayetteville, and John H. Bunting.

The bride was fashionably dressed in a gown of white liberty satin, trimmed with silk applique, and wore a beautiful veil of white tulle, caught with a cluster of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of bride's roses, tied with white satin ribbon.

The maid of honor was attired in a handsome costume of white batiste with white satin slippers to match. She carried a lovely bouquet of pink chrysanthemums, tied with pink ribbon.

The costumes of the bridesmaids were of pink silk mulle with long flowing sashes. They carried bouquets of pink.

The gentlemen of the party were in full dress and wore boutonnieres of pink carnations.

Soon after the ceremony the bride and groom left on the 7 o'clock northbound A. C. L. train for an extended bridal tour. At the home of the bride's parents on Chesnut street, last evening a reception was tendered the bridal party and later a german complimentary to the wedding party was given by L'Arioso German Club in the magnificent Masonic Temple ball room, reference to which is made elsewhere in these columns.

Knights of Pythias Officers.

Jefferson Lodge No. 61, K. of P., at its regular meeting last night elected officers for the ensuing term as follows: C. C.—W. L. Williford; V. C.—L. O. Smith; Prelate—R. H. Rubright; M. of W.—E. F. Jones; M. at A.—E. O. Page; M. of E.—R. E. Blake; M. of F.—R. S. Collins; K. of R. and S.—A. S. Holden; I. G.—D. D. Barber; O. G.—Geo. Branch; Trustees I. M. Bear, L. B. Rogers and J. C. Morrison.

Naval Brigade Officers.

Ensign S. K. DeVaney, of the Wilmington Division, Naval Reserves, left yesterday for Newbern, where he will represent the local organization at an election of a captain commanding and a navigating officer of the North Carolina Naval Brigade. Ensign DeVaney will return to-morrow.

MAY CAUSE A SENSATION.

Federal Court Attendant, Wounded in Wilmington, Died in Lumberton. Circumstances of the Case.

On Wednesday of last week, during the sessions of the Federal Court in this city, B. F. Sims, a white man from Robeson county, who was in attendance upon the court here as a witness, wandered into the residence of Mr. Jesse W. Cooper, a painter, who lives at No. 602 North Fifth street. Being asked as to what he wanted in the house Mr. Sims, who was thought to have been under the influence of liquor at the time, replied to Mr. Cooper that it was "none of his d—d business." Mr. Cooper in a melee which followed in an effort to get the man out of the house, struck Mr. Sims over the head with a chair and later turned him over to a policeman, who locked the man in the station house, pending trial in the Mayor's court. On the following day the Mayor, in his leniency to strangers upon all such occasions as the Federal Court, let Sims off without payment of a fine.

Sims remained in the city until the adjournment of court and returned to Lumberton. Early yesterday morning he died and the death is alleged to have been the result of the blow inflicted by Mr. Cooper.

Sheriff Stedman and Chief of Police Furlong yesterday received telegrams from Sheriff McLeod at Lumberton, asking for the detention of Mr. Cooper, pending an investigation of the affair, but upon a mere telegram the authorities here deemed it unwise to make an arrest. From the evidence at the trial in the mayor's court, anyway, it was shown that Mr. Cooper was acting solely in defence of his own home and no action can likely be sustained against him.

THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK.

One of Wilmington's Financial Institutions Growing Stronger Each Day.

On Nov. 11th the stockholders of The Murchison National Bank authorized an increase of $100,000 in the capital stock, to be offered ratably to the shareholders first, and to the public, any shares not taken by the stockholders. The subscriptions amounted to over $200,000 and had to be scaled down to $100,000. The bank has now a capital of $300,000 and a surplus of about $100,000. The growth of this bank has been wonderful and has exceeded the most sanguine hopes of its promoters.

It is less than four years old and its deposits on Nov. 25th, date of its last statement to the Comptroller of the Currency, were $1,178,637.00.

The bank is very popular and its management has the confidence of the business public. They are liberal, at the same time careful and conservative. No customer of the bank worthy of credit is ever refused accommodation. The directors of the bank are all successful business men.

The new banking house, corner of Chesnut and Front streets, is an exceedingly handsome structure of white brick and granite. The interior is simply elegant, and the STAR doubts if any banking house in the South is more attractive inside or out.

Mr. H. C. McQueen, the president, when asked for the reason of the increase of the capital, said:

"Well, we wanted to keep abreast with the times. Wilmington and this section are making rapid strides in material progress. The expanding business needs larger banking facilities and in providing them we are simply doing what we believe will benefit our stockholders by increasing the usefulness and value of their property.

"Its capital and surplus of $400,000 makes it by far the strongest bank in Eastern North Carolina."

Attending Neighboring Courts.

J. O. Carr, Esq., returned yesterday from Lumberton where he was in attendance upon Robeson Superior Court, in session there this week, Judge Oliver H. Allen presiding. No cases of great importance had been disposed of yesterday morning. Mr. Carr left in the evening for Kenansville where he will attend Duplin Superior Court, which is also in session this week. It is expected that a very important criminal case will be one of the features of the session there. Furney and Ed. Jarman, young men of a prominent family in that section, are charged with the burning of a house of a Mrs. Sandlin to whom they are related by marriage. One of the defendants has been taken; the other is at large.

At the Academy To-night.

The performance by the Martynne Company at the Academy to-night is bound to be a success financially, as already the sale of seats is exceedingly large. It will also, no doubt, be a flattering success artistically, for the company comes highly recommended by both press and public. The performance, which is all vaudeville, is composed of some costly and well known acts, such as the original cycle whirl, and Mr. and Mrs. Shedman's troupe of twenty odd trained dogs. The "Great Martynne" will present a startling and beautiful series of electrical spectacular dances. The engagement of the company is for three nights, with a special Saturday afternoon matinee.

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.
For sale by J. C. Shepard.

A COMPLIMENTARY GERMAN.

Delightful Dance by L'Arioso Club Last Night in Honor of Rankin-Harlow Wedding Party.

The german last night in the magnificent ball room of the Masonic Temple, given by L'Arioso Club in honor of the Rankin-Harlow wedding party, was one of the most brilliant functions in the history of the elite organization which gave it, both in point of the large attendance and personnel of those who participated. The ball room was decorated in a charming manner by the Wilmington Floral Company, prominent in the arrangement being a beautiful floral design on the south wall of the room, bearing this inscription: "L'A. G. C." and "Rankin-Harlow" underneath.

The costumes worn by the ladies were elegant and the music discoursed by Hollowbush's Orchestra was all that could be desired.

The figures were gracefully led by Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr., and among the participants in the german were the following:

Miss Mabel Powers, of Atlanta, Mr. A. Sidney Bayles; Miss Lillian Slocumb, of Fayetteville, Mr. T. Alex. Baxter; Miss Olive Armstrong, Mr. "Jack" Bellamy; Miss Louise Bellamy, Mr. William J. Bellamy; Miss May Ella Rankin, Mr. John Jay Blair; Miss Bettie DeRosset, Mr. S. M. Boatwright; Miss Bessie Burruss, Mr. Richard Bradley; Mrs. Thos. Griffith, of Charlotte, Mr. J. H. Bunting; Miss Meta Kenly, Mr. W. C. Crow; Miss Jeanie Peck, Capt. C. McD. Davis; Miss Anna Peck, Mr. Thos. W. Davis; Miss Annie Blount DeRosset, Mr. Fred W. Dick; Miss Anita DeRossett, Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr.; Miss Octavia Boatwright, Mr. Robert H. Gwaltney; Miss Janie Williams, Mr. H. G. Latimer, Jr.; Capt. and Mrs. Donald MacRae; Miss Meta LeGrand, Mr. Edwin A. Metts; Miss Bessie Gore, Mr. R. N, Nash; Miss Elizabeth Payne, Mr. R. Aubrey Parsley; Miss Marie Peschau, Mr. George L Peschau; Miss Lina Wiggins, Mr. W. C. Vis, of Lynchburg, Va.; Miss Louise Bunting, Mr. O. A. Wiggins, Jr., Miss Fannie Green, Mr. Adam Empie, of New York; Miss Mildred Davis, Mr. W. Croswell Ragin, of Macon; Miss Lizzie Peck, Mr. Henry B. Peschau; Miss Sue McQueen, Mr. James M. Stevenson; Miss Rosa Battle, of Raleigh, Dr. Pride J. Thomas; Miss Leonora Cantwell, Mr. John B. Peschau; Miss Isabel Rountree, Mr. Thos. B. Willard; Miss Nellie Emmerson, Mr. Thos. H. Wright; Miss Kate Maffit, Mr. H. J. McMillan, Jr.

Stags—Capt. E. W. VanC. Lucas and Mr. Walter Williamson.

Chaperones—Mrs. T. M. Emerson, Mrs. H. C. McQueen, Mrs. M. F. H. Gouverneur and Mrs. Jno. D. Bellamy.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. Frank Covington, of Boardman, is at The Orton.

— Mr. Samuel C. Adams, of Elon College, is at The Orton.

— Rev. T. J. Gattis, of Charlotte, is at The Orton for Conference.

— Dr. W. C. Galloway will leave to-day for a two week's professional visit to New York.

— Mr. G. W. Kirby, a prosperous merchant of Supply, Brunswick county, is in the city on business.

— Mr. F. B. Gibson, and Miss Blanche Gibson, of Gibson, N. C., are guests at The Orton for Conference.

— Misses Nannie Johnson and Nellie Williams, of Beaufort, are visiting the family of Rev. G. B. Webster.

— Mr. B. H. Scott has returned to the city after having made his home for several months in Florida. He has returned to reside in the future.

— Miss Gertrude Rivenbark, of Hillard, N. C., was in the city yesterday en route to Charleston, S. C., to visit her sister, Mrs. T. J. Joyner, of that city.

— Mr. A. S. Kirby, a merchant at the well known rice farm, "Orton Plantation," and the newly elected treasurer of Brunswick county, is in the city on business.

— Capt. Alex P. Adrian and First Lieut. Geo. P. James left last night for Goldsboro where they will participate in an election of Second Regiment staff officers to-day.

— Col. K. M. Murchison arrived yesterday from New York to spend the Winter, much to the delight of his numerous friends here. He expects to go down to "Orton" to-day.

— Mr. J. M. Jones and Misses Lulu Hatsell and Zulu Rogers, of Swansboro, N. C., and Mr. David S. Sanders and wife, of Beaufort, N. C., were among the arrivals to attend the Conference yesterday.

— Capt. Henry Savage, who recently spent ten days at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, for treatment, returned yesterday morning much improved in health, his numerous friends will be glad to know.

— Mr. Parker Lewis returned Tuesday from Texas to recuperate from a severe spell of sickness, which he recently suffered. He was travelling for a large New York house in Texas where he was taken sick several weeks ago.

— Other local, fourth page.

DIED.

KIRKHAM—At the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kirkham, 107 South Fifth street, last night at 8:55 o'clock, LIZZIE G. KIRKHAM, aged 17 years and 15 days.

Funeral notice later.

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 4.

HOW THEY DO IT.

In view of the extraordinary crop of corn this year, 1,000,000,000 bushels larger than that of last year and the largest crop ever produced, the presumption would naturally be that we would have cheaper meats, for we were told by the meat combine when it ran the prices up last Spring that it was in consequence of the scarcity of animals for slaughter, occasioned by the shortage of feed. This was denied by the stock men, who asserted that there were plenty of cattle on the plains and in support of their statement they cited the fact of the large exports of beef to England, where it was sold at a much lower price than the Trust was demanding from home consumers, showing that the scarcity of cattle was a mere pretence to justify the advance in prices.

Be that as it may, the Trust cannot now take refuge behind a scarcity of corn or a scarcity of cattle, for there is an over crop of corn and there is no complaint about a scarcity of cattle, but yet prices stay up and the marketer who buys meat pays as much for it as he did last Summer. But the Trust buys its cattle, hogs, etc., cheaper than it did last year, and therefore the stockmen and farmers do not reap any benefit from that. It doesn't pay, within two or three cents a pound, as much for meat on the foot as it paid last year, for the simple reason that it has the cattle men and farmers in its power, and regulates the market to suit itself. When the supply of animals runs low it puts prices up; this brings in the stock, the yards become crowded, and then it has the game in its own hands. The Chicago *Inter-Ocean*, a Republican paper, tells how it does it in the following reference to the market reports of the day before:

Taking advantage of these heavy receipts, the packers have worked in harmony and depressed the market. For the past three weeks they have maneuvered to secure low-priced hogs to fill their sales of January products. Two weeks ago, for several days, there was no buying of stock by the packers. All the pens in the yards were full and the report spread that the market was demoralized. When the shippers were becoming desperate the packers finally stepped in and purchased their regular supplies at much reduced prices. The houses ran at their utmost capacity for a couple of days, and then there was another simultaneous unwillingness to purchase. Prices went still lower, and the packers again purchased.

Cattlemen and farmers who ship their live stock to Chicago, Omaha or Kansas city have to feed them until sold and of course they can't afford to keep them long even if they had the privilege of doing so and consequently they are compelled to sell to prevent the animals from eating themselves up. The Trust people know this and therefore they are in no hurry to buy, although the sellers may be in a hurry to sell and get out whole, which they may consider themselves lucky if they do.

Ten or twelve years ago a Senate committee sent to Chicago to investigate the alleged Trust methods of gouging the cattlemen and farmers, reported substantially that it had an organized system of putting prices up to entice shipments and down when the market was stocked, pretty much as is stated in this extract from the *Inter-Ocean*, so it seems that it is an old game it is playing.

In view of the fact that the Trust controls, by these methods, both the price of live animals and of slaughtered meat, and makes the price of both such as to give it an exorbitant profit, what has the action taken by Attorney General Knox last Spring amount to? This action was taken with a grand flourish; injunctions were asked for, and in one instance granted, but the Trust went on with business all serene as if nothing was happening, or likely to happen. It coolly announced that if the courts persisted in pursuing it, it would simply dissolve, consolidate and do business after the fashion of the U. S. Steel Trust, which is otherwise known as the U. S. Steel Company. This new combine would embrace all the large packing houses of the country, and be strong enough to absorb or crush any that showed a disposition to compete or interfere with its prices. It had about completed that scheme (which was postponed pending the Fall elections), which was to go into effect January 1st, but the Swift Company kicked because the slice offered it wasn't big enough to suit. This caused a hitch, which it is said will be overcome as J. P. Morgan has undertaken the job of fixing up and financiering the combine.

As we hear no more of court proceedings against the Beef Trust, although it is cutting quite as wide a swath as it did before the law officers of the Government tackled it, we take it for granted that they have retired from the contest, without having made any movement to prosecute the individuals of the Trust who paid so little attention to the court proceedings and testified only to what they felt like testifying to and put their books beyond the reach of the court officers when they were called for to establish some charge. The court officers couldn't find the books, but the Trust managers and magnates were within reach and might have been brought into court, arraigned and punished for contempt, and they could also have been punished under the anti-trust statutes. If something like that had been done the court proceedings might have amounted to something and not proved the fizzle they did.

Outside of the movement by the law department of the goverment, which has proved a failure as far as material results go, there has been on movement nor any suggestion from Republican sources to relieve the public from the extortions of this Trust, or to make it deal squarely with the stock raisers and farmers, or with the meat consumers, both of whom it squeezes.

We have had an object lesson from Engtand, where as a result of the sucessful method of shipping Argentine beef to English markets, and the modified regulations permitting the shipping of live cattle, the Trust is confronted with competition, and the English people get cheaper meat. They might try the virtue of competition in the interest of the American people by removing the tariff protection the Trust now has and see how that would work. But the Republican statesmen have no idea of doing that.

FREE ANTHRACITE.

In discussing the tariff question in his message the President pursues a very cautious and non-committal course, but he draws the line on anthracite coal and does not hesitate to say that "in my judgment the tariff on anthracite coal should be removed and anthracite be put actually, where it is now nominally, on the free list. This would have no effect at all save in crises, but in crises it might be of service to the people."

People, even a good many of the statesmen, were under the impression that anthracite was on the free list until in the strike crisis people who needed it imported it from Wales and found that they had to pay a duty of 67 cents a ton on it, which very naturally took them by surprise, and then inquiry began to be made as to why they had to pay duty on coal which was on the free list and it was discovered that Senator Quay had been doing some hocus-pocussing on the other Senators, and had a little clause inserted which practically put anthracite on the dutiable list, while it was nominally free. And that's how it happened. A good many of the Senators didn't know anything about it, and were under the impression that it was on the free list. It was a sheer swindle. The President is therefore right in saying that the swindle should be remedied and the coal be put actually where it is nominally, and where people thought it was until they discovered to the contrary.

But if anthracite, why not bituminous coal? There is really no more need for a tariff tax on one than on the other. It would, to quote the President, "have no effect save in crises, but in crises it might be of service to the people." There are strikes in the bituminous mines, which are being taken in by trusts, and there is congestion of traffic which run the price of coal up, when if it were free of duty, supplies might be drawn from neighboring coal producing countries. This coal does not need tariff protection for our coal can be mined and put upon the markets a cheaply as it can, under existing conditions, be imported.

In suggesting that anthracite be put upon the free list, and in the reason he gives for it, the President has opened the way to put a number of things on the free list—necessaries of life—the reason he gives in the case of anthracite being equally applicable to them—"in crises it might be of service to the people." It would keep down the combines and prevent them from extorting from the people.

In a habeas corpus suit where a husband wanted possession of a daughter who was with her mother, an Indiana Judge decided that a mother's love and care were more to a daughter than all the good living, clothes, &c., that a father could give her and gave the child to her mother. His head was level provided the mother was the right kind of a mother.

Mr. John D. Rockefeller was much gratified at being elected honorary member of the Tarrytown, N. Y., fire department. He says he has always wanted to be a fire boy. Everything comes to him who waits. When Mr. Flagler was a youth his ambition was to be a hotel man, and now he owns a string of the nobbiest hotels in the world.

At the present price of silver bullion the American dollar would weigh out about 36 cents, but it goes all the same, goes a good deal faster than some of us want it to.

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MR. HOLTON'S SCHEME.

District Attorney Holton's scheme to prosecute Democratic registrars who refused to register negroes whom they didn't believe entitled to registration isn't causing much of a sensation, because it is simply playing over again the old game the Republicans have frequently played in this State when beaten at the polls. They look upon the Federal courts as political machines and try to utilize them for political purposes.

This is the view that is taken of Holton's scheme to prosecute these registrars, which will be a failure, if attempted, a view held not only by Democrats but by some Republicans. When asked by the Washington correspandent of the Raleigh *Post* what he thought about it, Congressman Blackburn (who was defeated for re-election) replied:

"I don't think about this subject at all. I see no reason for bringing the federal court and its officers into disrepute by playing with violators of the law only long enough to arouse the public mind and turn around and not prosecute them to please a few pretended adherents to the Republican cause. It will simply mean a further expenditure of the people's money to defend election officers who violate the law under the direction of their leaders. We have had sufficient experiences in the indictment of Democratic registrars unless they can be prosecuted. Peace purchased in this way is very costly and very unsatisfactory in its results, provided a man happens to be a Republican. We have had farces enough. The Republican party is either something or nothing. If it is only a football to be kicked from one party to another and have no settled policy, then it behooves every one to cling to whatevr broken spar he can find."

This is a Republican view of it. In answer to the same correspondent Senator Simmons expressed himself at some length, and is thus quoted in part:

"The action of the Republican leaders in seeking to indict Democratic registrars for not registering negroes is in keeping with what the Democrats predicted all during the last campaign. We said they would try the lily white movement, and if it did not bring success or did not hold out reasonable hopes of success in the near future, they would return to the negro again. That movement has proved a dismal failure in the State and has been repudiated by the national Republican administration. The leaders now propose to abandon that policy and to look again to the negro vote for success. There is another meaning to this movement. The Republican leaders, finding themselves in disfavor with the administration on account of the lily white movement, have adopted this course to re-instate themselves in the good favor of President Roosevelt, who has become a great champion of the negro.

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"These proceedings against Democratic registrars is the Republican way of conciliating the negro and currying favor with Roosevelt. They hope to make the Democratic registrars scape goats They will not succeed, but that fact does not relieve their effort to do, by implication what they have not the courage to do openly on account of their pusillanimity. Whenever the Republicans get beaten in North Carolina they cry 'Fraud' and rush to the Federal courts, but our white people are not to be terrorized by political persecution.

"The Democratic party believes that the registrars have discharged their duty faithfully and honestly. They have given the State as fair an election as was held in any State in the Union, and it will stand by these faithful officers and protect them against this Republican scheme to placate the negro and the national administration by persecuting these honest and faithful officials."

Mr. Holton's scheme is too transparent, and the probabilities are that it will fall through before it gets well started, but it will fail whether it fall through or not.

BOOK NOTICES.

The Smart Set for December sustains its reputation for sprightliness and smartness presenting one hundred and sixty pages of matter, every page of which is interesting. Published by the Ess Ess Company, 452 Park Avenue, New York.

The December, or Christmas number of *Frank Leslie's Monthly* is a handsome and interesting one, filled with attractive reading matter, copiously and artistically illustrated. Address the Frank Leslie Publishing House, 141-147 Fifth Avenue, New York.

As usual *The Atlantic Monthly*, for December presents an interesting and valuable list of contents, miscellaneous in character and excellent throughout. There are many articles for the thoughtful reader who reads more for information than mere pastime. Published by Haughton, Mifflin and Company No. 4, Park street, Boston.

The Pilgrim for December is a beautiful number, artistically illustrated and filled with charming reading matter. One of the articles which will interest the North Carolina reader is "The Women of the Mica Country," illustrated, which tells about mica mining, etc., in Western North Carolina. Address The Pilgrim Publishing Company, Battle Creek, Michigan.

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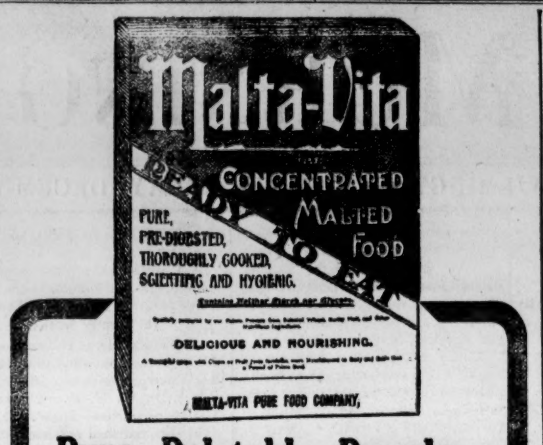

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Clarkton *Express*: Mr. R. J. Mitchell, of Cypress Creek, must be the champion turnip raiser in the county and probably in the State. He raised one that measured 14 inches in length, 28 inches in circumference and weighed 16 pounds.

— Kinston *Free Press*: Honeysuckles blooming in December is a rare sight, but it is a fact that there is plenty of them this year. Mr. G. L. Kilpatrick tells us that he saw a lot of them in full bloom on the road between Kinston and Grifton.

— Washington *Gazette*: Work on the new railroad between Newbern and Bayboro, via Aurora, has commenced in earnest. The work of grading has commenced on the Newbern end and the material for the construction of the bridge across Neuse river is already upon the ground.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: The price of tobacco is somewhat off, but as the crop has been mostly marketed—and at high prices, which the farmers got the benefit of—it makes little difference to the farmer now, as he is able to count his cash profits and feel good over not having held his crop back when prices were good.

— Monroe *Journal*: John Marsh, colored, convicted of an assault upon Alice Carelock, colored school teacher, during the last week in October, lies in the Union county jail under sentence of death—to be hanged on January 6th, 1903, between the hours of 10 to 2 o'clock. The counsel for the prisoner took an appeal to the Supreme Court, and this will of course stay the sentence for sometime.

— Lumberton *Robesonian*: Mr. Co. Bass, aged 60 years, dropped dead near Ashepole Monday about noon. No particulars have been learned except that he was travelling the road and dropped dead suddenly. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause. Mr. Bass was a sharpshooter of the Confederate army during the civil war, rendering his country faithful service.

— Mr. C. P. Grantham, of McDonalds, while in town yesterday, told us that during the past year he had tried peanuts as a food crop for hogs and found it so satisfactory that he and most of his neighbors would plant more largely next year. It is not only a cheap crop to cultivate, but it gives the best returns for forage and food purposes. For milk cattle, as well as hogs, it scarcely has an equal.

— Newbern *Journal*: Sunday evening, people below Wilkinson's point on the Neuse river, observed two young men in a sail boat which had apparently come out of Hancock Creek, on the opposite side of the river, trying to make the shore. One was doing the sailing, the other bailing out the beat, and both boat and men shortly afterwards disappeared from sight. The water was dragged later on, but nothing was found, neither was there anything visible of boat or contents. While nothing could be learned last night, it was thought that the occupants of the boat were Cain and Abel Powell, who live near Croatan, and who were in the habit of crossing the Neuse river to visit on the east shore.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The white Republicans of North Carolina feel that they have been ruthlessly deserted by the administration. They were patted on the back while engaged in putting on their armor, and given the hoarse hoot when the ambulance called for them.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, expects President Roosevelt to change position on the "lily white" issue and go with him, so far as North Carolina is concerned. Shouldn't wonder. The Prseident does change around sometimes.—*Richmond Leader, Dem.*

—— "As for pecans," observes the Washington *Post*, "we venture to say that Arkansas produces the best, though those of the Sabine River (Texas) bottom and the Louisiana alluvial lands are very little inferior. In these regions one finds the long, thin-shelled nut, which you can crush between your thumb and first finger." You venture to say what you know nothing about. We have seen this week pecans grown in South Carolina nearly as large as hen eggs. Do you know of any "best" that is better than these?—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

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TWINKLINGS.

— Mrs. Dick—"Did you and Joe have good sport?" Dick—"Well, we didn't get any game, but we didn't shoot each other."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— Editor—Was Longwynd's sermon exhaustive? Reporter—Exhaustive! You never saw an audience so nearly worn out in your life.—*Los Angeles Herald.*

— She—"My mind, I'd have you understand, is on something higher than my dress." He—"Oh, is it? On your hat, I suppose?"—*Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.*

— O'Crit—I believe in prohibition myself. Reuben—Wonder you don't practice it, then. I saw you in Ginsling's saloon this morning. O'Crit—Yes—er—I wasn't myself this morning.—*Philadelphia Press.*

— "Why did you laugh at his joke? It was not funny." "I know it. But if I did not laugh he would think I did not see the point and would tell it again."—*Brooklyn Life.*

Unimpressed.

"What kind of ducks are these?" asked the visitor in the ornithological department at the museum.

"Labrador," said the attendant. "We paid $1,000 for those two specimens."

"Gosh!" exclaimed the visitor, turning to his wife. "He says they paid $1,000 for 'em. I've bought finer ducks for half a dollar many a time. What have you got 'em in that glass case for?" he inquired, addressing the guide again.

"Because they are about the most notable exhibit we have. Those birds were shot in 1856. Labrador ducks are now extinct."

"He says," exclaimed the visitor, turning to his wife once more, "they put 'em in that glass case because they haven't a pleasant odor. And I don't wonder at it. They were shot in 1856." —Chicago Tribune.

Two Strong Reasons.

A certain Scotch minister in a west highland parish has never yet been known to permit a stranger to occupy his pulpit. Lately, however, an Edinburgh divinity student was spending a few days in the parish, and on the Saturday he called at the manse and asked the minister to be allowed to preach the following day.

"My dear young man," said the minister, laying a hand gently on the young man's shoulder, "gin I let ye preach the morn and ye gie a better sermon than me my fowk wad never again be satisfied wi' my preaching, and gin ye're nae a better preacher than me ye're no' worth listening tae."

His Open Eye.

A man the other day went to a Boston dentist to have a tooth extracted and decided to take gas. The doctor administered the hypnotic, and the man soon appeared to be under its influence, but he continued to keep one eye open.

This worried the doctor, and he gave the man more gas. Still the eye remained open, "Shut that eye," said the doctor finally, losing patience.

"Can't," said the man in a drowsy voice; "it's glass."

To Color Mahogany.

The natural color of mahogany when it is too light may be deepened by applying a mixture composed of a half gallon of water, four ounces of madder and two ounces of fustic. Boil and apply while hot. While it is wet streak the grain with black. This will give new mahogany quite the coloring of old.

Precocious Youth.

Mother—What's baby crying about, Jane?

Nurse—I don't know, ma'am, unless it was what the parlor maid said. She remarked that Willie looked like his pa, and I'm afraid Willie heard her.—Exchange.

A Sufferer.

"Yes, Pilcher broke down and had to go away for his health."

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"Every complaint known to man."

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, December 3.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 50½c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.30 per barrel for strained and $1.35 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.50 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $1.75 per barrel for hard, $3.00 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar steady at $1.20; crude turpentine steady at $1.10 @2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	66
Rosin	187
Tar	251
Crude turpentine	123

Receipts same day last year—73 casks spirits turpentine, 206 barrels rosin, 322 barrels tar, 77 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7⅞c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5½ cts. ₱ lb
Good ordinary	6⅞ " "
Low middling	7½ " "
Middling	7⅞ " "
Good middling	8 11-16 " "

Same day last year, market firm at 7½c for middling.

Receipts—1,525 bales; same day last year, 2,361.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c; sides, 10@11c.

EGGS—Firm at 21@22c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 30@35c; springs, 12½@25c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 10@11c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 60c per bushel.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Money on call was firm at 3@7 per cent.; the market closing offered at 4 per ct.; time money firm—60 days 6 per cent., 90 days 6 per cent, six months, 6 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 6 per cent. Sterling exchange was quoted steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487 20 for demand and 483 60 for sixty days. Posted rates were 484½ and 488. Commercial bills were 482¾@483¼. Bar silver 47¼. Mexican dollars 37. Government bonds steady. State bonds were steady. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's, registered, 107¾; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 108¼; U. S. 3's, registered, 107¾; do. coupon, 108; U. S. 4's, new registered, 135½; do. coupon, 135½; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 108½; do. coupon, 109½; U. S. 5's, registered, 103¾; do. coupon, 103¾; Southern Railway, 5's, 118¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 99. Chesapeake & Ohio 46⅞; Manhattan L 150; New York Central 154; Reading 59¾; do. 1st preferred 86; do. 2nd preferred 75; St. Paul 175¼; do. pref'd, 190; Southern Railway 33½; do. pref'd 92½; Amalgamated Copper ex dividend 57½; People's Gas 101; Sugar 120½; Tennessee Coal and Iron 56¾; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. pref'd, 88¾; Western Union 87½; U. S. Steel 36¼; do. pref'd 83¼; Virginia-Carolina Chemical —; do. preferred, 124; Standard Oil, 665@674

BALTIMORE, Dec. 3.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 26⅝@26¼; do. preferred, 44½@45; bonds, fours, 84 asked.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine steady.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 3.—Spirits turpentine and rosin unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 3.—Spirits turpentine firm, quoted at 50¾c; receipts 508 casks; sales 300 casks; exports 162 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 2,823 barrels; sales — barrels; exports 843 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, D, $1 40, E, $1 45; F, $1 50; G, $1 60; H, $1 80; I, $2 05; K $2 55; M, $3 00; N, $3 50; W G, $3 75; W W, $4 15.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The cotton market after opening four points higher to three lower became unusually unsettled and decidedly weak. Long cotton came out freely and selling for short account was also an active feature. This was in the face of cables which on the opening advices were expected to make an advance of five points in our market. It was alleged that there had been a leakage as to the government's report of the cotton crop. This report caused heavy selling and the day's transactions were exceptionally large. At the weakest in erval the decline was a matter of eighteen to twenty-five points; this was after the announcement of the bureau crop estimate of 10,417,000 bales. It was argued from this that the commercial crop in official showing could not be less than 10,700,000 bales. The immediate effect of the report was a break of five to six points within five minutes after its announcement. Then the market rallied quite sharply. It appeared from the incoming reports from the spot markets of the country that they were not responding to the speculative decline. On the apprehension that the market had been oversold there was an active covering movement and commission houses were also heavy buyers. The market rallied shrply and closed steady, with the net loss reduced to seven to eleven points. Total sales futures 450,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Cotton quiet at 8.55c; net receipts 2,716 bales; gross receipts 9,579 bales; stock 112,750 bales.

Spot cotton market closed quiet; middling uplands 8.50; middling gulf 8.75c; sales 600 bales.

Cotton futures closed steady: December 8.25, Jan'ry 8.25, Feb'ry 8.14, March 8.18, April 8.18, May 8.19, June 8.18, July 8.20, August 8.05.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 58,950 bales; exports to Great Britain 11,333 bales; exports to France 31,169 bales; exports to the Continent 11,795 bales; stock 1,048,764 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 224,834 bales; exports to Great Britain 55,863 bales; exports to France 39,431 bales; exports to the Continent 48,664 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 3,798,988 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,065,363 bales; exports to France 308,124 bales; exports to the Continent 1,117,492 bales

Dec. 3.—Galveston, easy at 8 3-16, net receipts 8,945 bales; Norfolk, quiet at 8 3-16, net receipts 4,332 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, firm at 8.55, net receipts 463 bales; Wilmington, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 1,525 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 8.75, net receipts 143 bales; Savannah, quiet at 7¾c, net receipts 8,869 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 7 15-16c, net receipts 29,247 bales; Mobile, easy at 7¾c, net receipts 1,152 bales; Memphis, quiet at 7¾c, net receipts 3,787 bales; Augusta, steady at 8¼c, net receipts 1,267 bales; Charleston, quiet at 7¾c, net receipts 1,552 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Flour was firmer and a shade easier. Rye flour quiet. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 78¾. Options closed easy at ½@¾c net decline: May closed 79¼c; July closed 78; December closed 79¾c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 64c. Option sales; January closed 54c; March closed 50½c; May closed 48¼c; July closed 47c; December closed 60½. Oats—Spot firm, No. 2, 36c. Options—May closed 37¾; December closed 36¼c. Lard firm; Western steam $11 20; refined firm; December closed $11 20, nominal; continent $11 25; South American $11 75; compound 7¼@7¾. Pork Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 5¼c; mild quiet; Cordova 7½@12c. Tallow was steady. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 3¾; centrifugal, 96 test 3¾; confectioner's $4 70; mould A $5 10; cut loaf $5 45; crushed $5 45; powdered $4 95; granulated $4 85; cubes $5 10; refined firm. Butter steady extra creamery 29c; State dairy 20@27c. Cheese firm; new State full cream, small colored fancy September 13¼c; late make 12¾c; small white 13¼c; late make 12¾c. Rice quoted firm. Peanuts easy; fancy hand picked 4¾@5c; other domestic 3¼@5¼. Cabbages firm; domestic, per 100, white $1 50@3 50; red $1 50@3 00. Freights to Liverpool—cotton by steam 13. Eggs steady; State and Pennsylvania average best 28@29c. Potatoes—Market steady; Long Island $3 00@3 30; South Jersey sweets $3 00@3 50; Jerseys $1 75@2 05; New York and Western per 180 lbs, $1 75@2 00 Cotton seed oil was steady and more active on the strength of lard products and lighter spot offering; Prime crude nom.; prime crude f. o. b. mills 28@28¼c; prime summer yellow 36@36½c; off summer yellow 35½c; prime white 39c; prime winter yellow 40c; prime meal $26 50@27 00, nominal.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Inactivity again prevailed on the board of trade to-day and after a higher opening wheat closed weak with May ½c lower. May corn ½c@¾c while May oats lost ½c. Provisions were higher, January products being up from 5 to 17½c at the close.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Cash prices: Flour—Market steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring 73½c; No. 3 spring 69½@72c; No. 2 red 73¾@75c. Corn—No. 2 55@55¼c; No. 2 yellow 55¼c Oats—No. 2 31@31½c; No. 2 white —c; No. 3 white 30½@34c. Mess pork, per barrel $16 62½@16 75. Lard, per 100 lbs, $10 67½@10 70. Short rib sides, loose, $8 75@9 50. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 87½@9 00. Short clear sides, boxed, $8 75@9 00. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 32.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December 73¾ 73, 74, 72¾, 73c; May 76¼@76¾, 76¾, 75¼, 75¼@75¾c; July 74½@74¼, 74¼, 73¾, 73¼c. Corn—No. 2 December 55¼@56¼, 56¼, 53¾, 54¼c; January 48⅝@48¾, 48¾, 47¼, 48c; May 43¾@43¾, 43¾, 43@43¼, 43¼c. Oats—No 2 December, new, 31¼, 31¼@31¾, 30¾, 31c; May 32⅝@32¾, 32¾, 32¾, 32¾. Mess pork, per bbl—December $15 90, 16 05, 15 90, 16 00; May $15 10, 15 17½, 15 10, 15 12½. Lard, per 100 lbs—December $10 20, 10 22½, 10 15, 10 22½; January $9 52½, 9 65, 9 52½, 9 62½; May $8 85, 8 90, 8 82½, 8 90. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $8 20, 8 22½, 8 20, 8 20; May $8 02½, 8 10, 8 02½, 8 05.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 3.—Cotton: Spot, in fair demand; prices 4 to 6 points higher; American middling fair 5.12d; good middling 4.66d; middling 4.54d; low middling 4.42d; good ordinary 4.30d; ordinary 4.18d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 8,100 bales American. Receipts 27,000 bales, including 26,700 bales American.

Futures opened firm and closed weak and irregular; American middling (g o c) December 4.42@4.43d; December and January 4.41d; January and February 4.40@4.41d; February and March 4.40@4.41d; March and April 4.40@4.41d; April and May 4.40@4.41d; May and June 4.41d; June and July 4.41d; July and August 4.41d.

MARINE.

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Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, James Madden.

Schooner Estelle, Hutchenson, Providence, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Clyde steamship Oneida, Devereaux, Georgetown, S C, H G Smallbones.

EXPORTS.

COASTWISE.

PROVIDENCE — Schooner Estelle, 387,000 feet lumber; cargo by Cape Fear Lumber Co; vessel by George Harriss, Son & Co.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., December 4

STEAMSHIPS.

Riverton, (Br) 2,236 tons, Williams, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Lillie, (Br) 311 tons, Davis, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Harbart, (Br) 2,149 tons, Bowling, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Hermiston, (Br) 2,839 tons, Bain, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

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Bayard Hopkins, 212 tons, Eskridge, George Harriss, Son & Co.

W S Fielding, (Br) 199 tons, McDonald, J T Riley & Co.

Lottie R Russell, 363 tons, Sharp, J T Riley & Co.

Frederick Roesner, 326 tons, Cory, George Harriss, Son & Co.

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RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts	$106,723 67	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	400 00	Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	4,667 84
Cash on hand, Due from Banks	3,019 68	Accrued interest due to depositors	475 00
		Deposits	145,000 51
	$110,143 35		$200,143 35

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ONE OF NATURE'S LAWS.

Action and Reaction That Produce a Fit of the Blues.

Probably in two cases out of three the blues are caused by one's physical state. If a man has overworked or has been under any unusual strain or excitement or has worried a great deal or has been for a while in a state of joy and elation—all of which require an expenditure of energy—he is very likely to have the blues and to be in low spirits by way of reaction.

The body is a machine which can do a certain amount of work and no more. If it does a great deal today, it must do less tomorrow and thereby make up for today's extravagance. If a man takes one glass of whisky, the slight stimulus that he feels will be followed, as night follows day, by an exactly equivalent sinking of the spirits. If he has been thoroughly and gayly drunk, his recovery will be attended by corresponding melancholia and misery.

When a man has the blues, he ought to consider that he is merely an exponent of one of nature's laws and that he has no right to harass others with complaints. Some men are not pleased unless they communicate their unpleasant moods to all about them. They become sulky and cross with their wives and children, and they throw a gloom over their household. Such conduct is very selfish.

A man in the blues ought to take some pills and a good long walk all alone or with some companion of steadfast cheerfulness. Lucky it is for him if he has a wife who will not be downcast and who can restore him to cheerfulness without spoiling him.—San Francisco Bulletin.

Funny Signs of the Times.

Some persons find as much fun in reading signboards as others do in reading the comic papers. Here are a few oddities reported by observing travelers, the first of which evidently was displayed in front of a butcher's shop:

"I kill myself every Tuesday and Friday."

"Take notis when this board is out of site the river is dangerous."

"Widow with large family wants washing by the week."

"Ladies and gents sold and healed."

"This is the old shop just come from above."

"A large stock of ladies' hose, pure cashmere, to be cleared 25 cents the pair. They won't last long at this price."

"Abominable belts made to order."

"Closed for the day owing to funeral of proprietor's wife and who will carry on as usual tomorrow morning."—New York Press.

Saved In Installments.

A couple of Scottish ferrymen rowing a somewhat dandified Englishman out to a steamer at one of the Clyde watering places saw to their consternation the man tumble over the gunwale of the boat into the water.

The foremost ferryman dropped his oar and made a grab at the man as he rose to the surface, catching him by the wig, which came away in his hand.

Throwing this into the boat impatiently, he made a second grab, catching the collar of his shirt, when the collar and front came away in his hands.

Casting these away from him in great disgust, he cried, "Man, Donald, come here quick and help's to save as muckle o' this man as ye can, for he's comin' awa' in bits!"

Chinese Women Menders.

In nearly every city in China women are to be found sitting in the streets busily plying their trade as menders of clothing. Their knowledge of needlecraft is generally limited to what is called "running," and therefore they are not much patronized by English or American travelers. They are, however, never without patrons among Chinese tradesmen, who are often natives of other districts and have no one else in the city to mend a rent for them, their wives and children being left at home. For this class of customers the skill of the itinerant sewing woman is sufficient, and to them it is a great convenience to have the necessary repairs rapidly made while they stand by and wait.

Knocked Into a Cocked Hat.

The expression "knocked into a cocked hat" is familiar to every one, but perhaps its origin is not so generally known. Cocked hat was a variety of the game of bowls in which only three pins were used, set up at the angles of a triangle. When, in bowling tenpins, all were knocked down except the three at the corners, the set was said to be "knocked into a cocked hat," whence the popular expression for depriving anything of its main body, character or purpose.

Superstitious About Bees.

The superstitions which connect bees with the death or sickness of the members of the particular family in which they are kept are interesting. In Scotland and Ireland the entrance of a bee into a cottage, more particularly if it be a bumblebee, is looked upon as a certain sign of the death of some one then residing there. In other localities if bees in swarming settle upon dead wood it is regarded as equally ominous.

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Chinese Repartee.

An English sailor was watching a Chinaman who was placing a dish of rice by a grave. "When do you expect your friend to come out and eat that?" the sailor asked. "Same time as your frien' come out to smellee flowers you fellow put," retorted Li.—Singapore Free Press.

Foresight.

Sweet Girl—I am loved by two men, and I cannot make up my mind which to marry. What would you advise?

Old Lady—Get both to insure their lives in your favor and then wait until one of them dies. That will insure the constancy of the other.—New York Weekly.

A Delicate Point.

"It seems to make Scaddington's wife as mad as a hornet every time he boasts that he began at the foot and worked his way up."

"Well, he started in as a bootblack, you know."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Heroic Courtesy.

A French writer on "The Revolution, the Empire and the Restoration" cites an amusing instance of what he calls heroic courtesy. Percy, Lord Beverly, invited to dine with him a marquis who was one of the most valiant soldiers of the army of Conde. Wishing to honor his guest and the cause which he served, that of the French king, the English peer ordered his butler to bring him a bottle of fine wine 100 years ago, "a ray of sun shut in crystal." He opened it carefully and offered a glass to the marquis, saying, "If you deem it worthy the honor, will you drink in this wine the health of the king?"

The marquis tasted the wine. "How do you like it?" asked the host. "Exquisite," replied the marquis. "Then," said Lord Beverly, "finish the glass. Only in a full glass can one drink the health of so great and so unfortunate a king." Without hesitation the marquis did as he was bidden. Only when the Englishman tasted the wine did he learn that what he had forced on his guest was castor oil.

At John Knox's Grave.

The guidebooks unite in telling the visitor in Edinburgh to see the grave of John Knox. It is situated in Parliament square and is marked by a small rectangular slab of stone sunk in the cobblestone paving of the street, with the chiseled inscription, "J. K. 1573." But it is odds against even the acute tourist that he finds the great reformer at once, for only five feet away from the holy ground there is a similar sunken slab, and many times a day parties of tourists may be seen approaching on tiptoe the second stone and bending over it with keen interest only to read, "Wilking Patent Hydrant," and find themselves face to face with the water supply system of a modern town instead of the bones of the eminent clergyman.

He Overdid It.

Beggem (to himself)—I've got around that rich old great-aunt of mine at last. She's interested in benevolent schemes, and I'm helping her night and day to search out worthy objects. Today she said I'd have cause for rejoicing when her will was read.

His Great-aunt (to herself)—I had no idea my grandnephew was so good. It worries him almost sick to see so much misery in the world. How delighted he will be to find that all my money is to go to the support of the poor friendless orphans!—New York Weekly.

Kind to Kids.

"He's a kind hearted automobilist, isn't he?"

"Exceptionally so. I never knew him to run over even a child unless he was in a hurry."—Life.

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Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall, of Beall, Mass., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once, and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

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Dr. Williams' Indian Pile Ointment is prepared to cure Piles and DOES IT in short order. Easy to apply, every box guaranteed, 50c. and $1.00. All druggists or by mail. WILLIAMS M'F'G Co., Cleveland, Ohio. Sold by J. C. Sheppard, Jr.

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His Ill Chosen Word.

Tess—She doesn't seem to like Mr. Creetick.

Jess—No; she heard him speak of her as "an artless creature."

Tess—I should think that rather complimentary.

Jess—Ah, but she poses as a landscape painter!—Philadelphia Press.

Negative Virtue's Poor Reward.

"Why, papa," she argued, "you know Arbuthnot never drinks, chews, smokes, gambles or swears."

"Yes, I know," the rugged unromantic old man answered, "but I don't want a chap for a son-in-law who merely doesn't do things."—Chicago Record-Herald.

The Charge.

Blobbs—I hear you lost your suit. Was the judge's charge unfavorable?

Slobbs—Oh, I'm not kicking about that. What makes me sore is my lawyer's charge.—Philadelphia Record.

Wrinkles come, the face fades, but the soul speaks just as eloquently from the eye where hope has conquered care.—Schoolmaster.

Rheumacide

Thoroughly eradicates the excess of Uric and Lactic Acids from the system, starts the kidneys into healthy action, cures constipation and indigestion.

THIS DONE, YOU ARE WELL OF

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Do not be discouraged if other remedies have failed. RHEUMACIDE has made its reputation by curing alleged incurable cases. Does not injure the organs of digestion.

GOLDSBORO, N. C., Aug. 25, 1902.

Gentlemen—Some six years ago I began to have sciatica, and also a chronic case of muscular rheumatism. At times I could not work at all (my business being baggage master on Southern R. R.). For days and weeks at a time I could not work. My suffering was intense. Physicians treated me, without permanent relief, however. Tried a number of advertised remedies without permanent benefit. Finally I tried "RHEUMACIDE." It did the work, and I have had excellent health for three years. I can cheerfully say that all rheumatics should use "RHEUMACIDE," for it is by far the best remedy.

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TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

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I bought out the entire stock of a manufacturer of ready-to-wear Hats. Can sell them for less than half price.

A $1 Hat for 48c and $2.50 to 3.00 Hat for 98c. I have now over 900.

They Will Be Sold Tuesday and Wednesday.

Have also received a big lot of fine Skirts, Monte Carlo Coats, Automobile and Ragland Coats

Ladies' Black Peau-de-Soie Silk Waists.

Ladies' and Gent's Silk Handkerchiefs.

All at half price.

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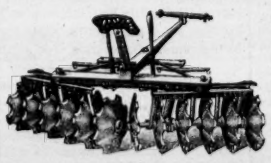

One of the greatest labor-saving machines known, and such work as it does cannot be done by any other machine made.

In a few days will show one of the largest and finest lines of American and English double and single breech loading Shot Guns ever brought to this market.

sep 17 tf Purcell Building, Wilmington, N. C.

Statement of The Peoples' Savings Bank,

OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the close of business November 25th, 1902, condensed from report to Corporation Commission. (Began business April, 1900.)

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$ 413,979 80	Capital Stock	$ 30,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	199 90	Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	10,017 53
Cash on hand and due from Banks	14,175 01	Accrued interest due to depositors	1,500 00
		Deposits	386,837 18
Total	$ 428,354 71	Total	$ 428,354 71

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Deposits.	Loans and Discounts.
November 25th, 1900	$145,889 44	$158,889 15
November 25th, 1901	280,940 62	282,019 85
November 25th, 1902	386,837 18	413,979 80

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Fire Insurance.

Plate Glass, Marine, Life, Accident and Employer's Liability. Agent for Royal Exchange Assurance of London.

ASSETS $25,211,566.00. 182 Years Old.

And five other reliable companies represented.

Lowest rates charged on Plate Glass Insurance.

No policy fee charged after December 20th, 1902.

JAMES OWEN REILLY,

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No electric fan necessary

"Cookie" 's amazed at the cakes' mad flight, But thinks they are merely remarkably light. No need of a fan to make cakes fly when

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Presto

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The H-O (Hornby's Oatmeal) Company

THRIFT—the housekeeper's watch-word; it should be a habit make it the Presto habit, and measure your Presto by its savings over flour, baking powder, etc., not by the mere bulk.

Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.

SUBURBAN LINE.

Winter Schedule, in Effect November 25th, 1902.

LEAVE FRONT AND PRINCESS STREETS

At †7:00, 9:00, *10:00, 11:00 A. M. *12:00, 1:00, *2:00, 3:00, *4:00, 5:00, *6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00 P. M.

LEAVE WRIGHTSVILLE FOR WILMINGTON.

At †8:00, 10:00, *11:00 A. M. 12:00, *1:00, 2:30, *3:30, 4:30, *5:30, 6:00, *6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30 P. M.

LEAVE WRIGHTSVILLE FOR OCEAN VIEW.

At 9:30, *10:30, 11:30 A. M. *12:30, 1:30, *2:30 3:30, *4:30, 5:30 P. M.

LEAVE OCEAN VIEW.

At 9:45, *10:45, 11:45 A. M. *12:45, 2:15, *3:15, 4:15, 5:15, *5:45 P. M.

*Sunday only.

†Freight and passenger—daily except Sunday

Regular Freight Cars leave Ninth and Orange streets at 4:00 P. M. Returning, leaves Wrightsville at 5:30 P. M

CITY LINE.

Leave Front and Princess streets daily, except Sunday, every ten minutes from 7:30 A. M. to midnight.

SUNDAY.

Every ten minutes from 8:30 A. M. to mid night.

S. A. L. CAR.

Leave Fourth and Brunswick streets daily every ten minutes from 11:55 A. M. to 12:05 P. M. and from 2:35 P. M. to 2:55 P. M.

CEMETERY CARS.

Leave Tenth and Princess streets every day every half hour from 2:00 P. M. to 5:30 P. M. Last car leaves Cemetery 5:35 P. M.

DELGADO AND GOLF LINKS.

Cars leave Tenth and Princess streets every day and every half hour from 2:10 P. M. to 5:40 P. M. Last car leaves Golf Links at 5:50 P. M.

CHARTERED CARS

Furnished on three hours' notice over any part of the City or Suburban Line from $5.00 to $15.00, according to the service.

A. B. SKELDING, Gen'l Manager.

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SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

Schedule in Effect Nov. 23.

TRAIN 39	Leaves Wilmington at 3:23 P. M., arrives Lumberton 5:44 P. M., Pembroke 6:10 P. M., Maxton 6:40 P. M., Hamlet 7:35 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M.			
TRAIN 40	Leaves Charlotte 5:0 1A. M., Hamlet at 8:25 A. M., arrives Maxton 9:10 A. M., Pembroke 9:43 A. M., Lumberton 10:08 A. M., Wilmington 12:30 noon.			

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	9 45 p m	7.40 a m
Ar Monroe	11.23 a m	9.15 a m
Ar Charlotte	....	10.33 a m
Ar Chester	12.51 a m	10.30 a m
Ar Greenwood	3.25 a m	12.37 p m
Ar Athens	2.52 a m	5.58 p m
Ar Atlanta	7.35 a m	4.00 p m

Close connection at Atlanta for Montgomery, Mobile, New Orleans and all points in Texas, Mexico and California; also for Chattanooga, Nashville, Louisville, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago, and Western and Northwestern points.

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	9.45 p m	7.35 a m
Ar Columbia	1.15 a m	11.20 a m
Ar Savannah	6.35 a m	4.55 p m
Ar Jacksonville	7.00 a m	9.15 p m
Ar Tampa	6.45 p m	6.00 a m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10.40 p m	7.50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1.30 a m	11.10 a m
Ar Norlina	3.32 a m	1.37 p m
Ar Portsmouth	....	....
Ar Norfolk	7.15 a m	5.35 p m
Lv Hamlet	10.40 p m	8.40 a m	7.50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1.30 a m	11.45 a m	11.10 a m
Ar Norlina	3.32 a m	1.35 p m	1.35 p m
Ar Petersburg	5.53 a m	4.07 p m	4.47 p m
Ar Richmond	6.35 a m	4.55 p m	5.40 p m
Ar Washington	10.10 a m	8.30 p m	.....
Ar Baltimore	11.25 a m	11.25 p m	.....
Ar New York	4.15 p m	6.30 a m	.....

Train 40 leaving Hamlet at 8.25 a. m. takes passengers from train 31, leaving New York at 12.35 p. m.; Baltimore at 5.45 p. m.; Washington 7.00 p. m.; Richmond 10.37 p. m.; Portsmouth 9.05 p. m.; Norfolk 8.30 p. m.; Raleigh 4.15 a. m. arriving at Hamlet at 7.00 a. m. From train 38, leaving Atlanta 1.00 p. m.; Athens 2.57 p. m.; Chester 4.15 a. m.; Charlotte 5.01 a. m.; Monroe 5.40 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 7.30 a. m.

From train 66 leaving Jacksonville 4.39 p. m.; Savannah 12.10 p. m.; Columbia 3.55 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 8.20 a. m.

Through Pullman sleepers from Hamlet to all points North, South and Southwest.

For tickets, Pullman reservations, etc., apply to Thomas D. Meares, General Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS	GOING WEST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 23	Kinston	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	9 37	9 50
7 03	7 07	Morehead City	7 38	7 37
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.55 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.06 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 23 tf E. L. DILL, Sup't.

Wanted Rainwater.

"Boy, bring me a large pitcher of rainwater and a small pitcher of well water," said the woman from the country who just had been assigned to a room in one of the fashionable uptown hotels. "Yes'm," said the boy, with an air of "Now, what kind of a drink's that? It's a new one on me."

At the bar they turned him down. "It's no mineral waters she wants. Just draw two pitchers of Croton from the faucets and pass 'em up to her. Rainwater! I ain't heard of it since I was a boy and lived in the country," said the bartender. "You couldn't use it if you could find it in New York."—New York Press.

Society's Right to Confiscate.

What shall become of a man's property after he is dead is a matter for society to determine. If it seems inexpedient to allow a rich man to leave a child reared in luxury without means of support or to leave a quarrel on the hands of his heirs, it is entirely within society's right to restrict his license in that particular. The whims of testators are a good deal of a nuisance and are too much respected by law, though not by courts.—Life.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Nov. 30, 1902.

DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON.

DAILY except Sunday 6.00 A. M. — No. 51—Due Lake Waccamaw 7.10 A. M., Chadbourn, 7.41 A. M., Marion 8.45 A. M., Florence 9.25 A. M., Lanes 11.05 A. M., Charleston 1.10 P. M.

DAILY 9.10 A. M. — No. 34 Due Fayetteville A. M. 12.35 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.42 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.53 P. M.

DAILY 9.30 P. M. — No. 45—Due Magnolia 11.05 A. M., Warsaw 11.21 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.13 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.55 P. M., Petersburg 6.46 P. M., Richmond 7.45 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.40 P. M., Baltimore 1.38 A. M., Philadelphia 4.05 A. M., New York 7.08 A. M., *Boston 3.35 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 62—Due Jacksonville 4.15 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 53—Due Lake Waccamaw 5.03 P. M., Chadbourn 5.49 P. M. Marion 6.55 P. M., Florence 8.15 P. M. Sumter 9.30 P. M., Columbia 10.55 P. M. Denmark 6.31A. M., Augusta 8.25 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 11.15 P. M., Savannah 3.00 A. M., Jacksonville 8.20 A. M., St Augustine 10.50 A. M., Tampa 10.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 49—Due Magnolia 8.30 P. M., Warsaw 8.53 P. M., Goldsboro 9.18 P. M., Wilson 10.49 P. M., †Tarboro 9.34 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.23 P. M. Weldon 1.45 A. M., †Norfolk 1.00 P. M. Petersburg 3.16 A. M., Richmond 4.07 A. M., Washington 7.54 A. M., Baltimore 9.10 A. M., Philadelphia 11.55 A. M., New York 1.53 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON.

DAILY 10.10 A. M. — No. 41—From North Richmond, Wilson.

DAILY 12.15 Noon. — No. 63—From Newbern.

DAILY 1.40 P. M. — No. 54—From Tampa, Jacksonville, Charleston.

DAILY 5.45 P M — No. 49—From North Richmond, Wilson †

DAILY 8.00 P M — No. 52—From Sanford, Fayetteville.

DAILY except Sund'y 11.45 P M — No. 50—From Charleston Florence.

PULLMAN Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington on trains Nos. 40 and 41.

W. J. CRAIG, Gen'l Passenger Agent.

H. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager.

H. M. EMERSON, Assis't Traffic Manager.

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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, November 25, 1902.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$1,162,466 63
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		940 32
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		95,100 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		173,800 00
Stocks, securities, etc		18,069 63
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00
Other Real Estate owned		10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		91,251 63
Due from State Banks and Bankers		115,206 29
Due from approved reserve agents		106,304 86
Notes of other National Banks	$10,000 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,864 16	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie	$34,545 00	
Legal tender notes	101,200 00	147,599 16
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		4,700 00
Total		$1,945,078 52

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	$125,000 00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	35,757 08	160,757 08
National Bank notes outstanding		95,100 00
Due to other National Banks	271,853 09	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	267,541 70	
Dividends unpaid	292 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	801,050 99	
Certified checks	4,696 30	
Cashier's checks outstanding	44,887 56	
United States deposits	173,800 00	1,564,221 44
Total		$1,945,078 52

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of November, 1902.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:

C. W. YATES, R. A. PARSLEY, GEO. R. FRENCH, } Directors.

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The Clyde Steamship Co

New York, Wilmington, N. C., and Georgetown, S. C., Lines.

From New York for Wilmington.

GEO. W. CLYDE ..... Saturday, Nov. 22

ONEIDA ..... Saturday, Nov. 29

From Wilmington for New York.

ONEIDA ..... Saturday, Nov. 22

CLYDE ..... Saturday, Nov. 29

From Wilmington for Georgetown.

ONEIDA ..... Tuesday, Nov. 18

CLYDE ..... Tuesday, Oct. 25

Steamship Oneida does not carry passengers.

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THEO. G. EGER, General Manager, 19 State street, New York

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Announcement.

THE HANOVER IRON WORKS,

14 Market St., W. E. King, Manager:

Respectfully announces to the public that we are ready to contract for any work in our line, viz: Manufacturers of Sheet Metal Cornices, Skylights, Finials, Crestings, Mill Work, Stack Work, Hot Air Furnace Work, Roofing, etc. General Repair Work a specialty. Prompt attention; moderate prices. nov 30 1w

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 4.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice, Dec 2nd, 1902.

WOMEN'S LIST.

Minnie Barry, Emma Campbell, Beadie Dixson, Dorothy Downs, Rose Geffers, Liddy Graham, Sarah Harrell, Ebbin Haskin, Judie Hazelett, E. M. Hobbs, Beller Howard, Sarah Howell, Massey Jackson, Linda J. King, R. J. Lewis, Alen McNile, Eliza Mathis, Martha Samuel (2), Mary M. Simmons, Dora Williams, Nancy Williams.

MEN'S LIST.

Wm. Ainsworth, Donson Allen, S. M. Allen, H. M. Anderson, W. R. Applebery, L. W. Beatty, Ed Blair, Levie Bluford, C. B. Battle, Elias Brewer, J. W. Bryant, Johnson Cain, Chas. W. Clark, J. Coby, Jennings David, J. D. Durince, Mr. Eade, Farmers' & Merchants' Peanut Co., James E. Finnegan, Jas. J. Gorman, C. F. Graber, J. Halrick, Israel Hamer, W. B. Harker, Willis Harris, Louis Haskell, Marion Huggins, Ed Jackson, W. R. Jester, Johnnie Jones, I. King, Alfred Kiesse, E. F. King, Ed Lacewell, John M. Larnn, D. B. Long, J. D. McKeithan, P. S. Koy, Schofield McNeill, Chas. L. Mason, L. C. Megill, Morgan Moore, W. L. Mott, C. P. Newton, J. E. Parsons, J. C. T. Payne, R. H. Pickens, W. Q. Pierce, Enoch Pinckney, E. M. Priest, Elias Purdie, John W. Randall, W. Randall, W. P. Rose, Rhifton Scott, W. Scott, Dr. Sexton, Dr. D. H. Shafer, Thomas Smith, J. H. Strauts, Dock Suggs, J. W. Westbrook, J. M. Wood, J. W. Wynne.

MERCHANDISE.

Chas. Gehman, Eliza McLewis.

FOREIGN.

Leopold Froman, Astore Pietro.

RETURNED FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days they will be sent to the dead letter office.

M. C. DARBY, Postmaster.

CHARTERS TO LOCAL CORPORATIONS.

Hanover Iron Works and Shallotte and Wilmington Transportation Co.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 3—The Secretary of State charters the Hanover Iron Works Company of Wilmington, capital $50,000. Incorporators and their stock are S. W. Skinner, six shares; W. E. King, three shares; Iredell Meares, one share. It will do general foundry and machine shop business. A charter is also issued to the Shallotte and Wilmington Transportation Company, Franklin P. White, S. K. and J. W. Mints, G. F. Bowen, S. K White, A. M Moore, incorporators; capital $50,000; principal office Shallotte. The company will operate boats for freight and passengers between Wilmington and Shallotte.

The Wilkinson-Bullock Company, Rocky Mount, is chartered, with $50,000 capital, to do an insurance and real estate business. Other charters are to the Hackney and Moale Company, Asheville, $30,000, to do a publishing and book business, and the Houston Supply Company, Monroe, $25,000, to do a mercantile business.

The State Board of Agriculture, in session to-day, heard reports of officers and finance committee and made preliminary canvass of recommendations for the annual budget. There is a cutting down in many departments. Commissioner Patterson's report showed a falling of $2,079 in sales of fertilizer tags this Fall. Expects greater decrease next Spring.

Adjutant General Royster announces admission to the Third Regiment, State Guards, of the Wild Cat Rifles, military company recently organized at Lexington.

SWEEPING TAX RECOMMENDATIONS.

Corporation Commission Will Suggest Radical Changes in Raising Revenues.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 3.—Chairman Franklin McNeill, of the Corporation and State Tax Commission, announces the following as recommendations the Commission will make to the General Assembly:

That personal property exemption be increased from $25 to $300; that poll tax for State and County purposes do not exceed $2, and that none be levied for municipal purposes; that State and county tax rate do not exceed 66⅔ cents on $100 valuation and municipal tax rate be so limited that the State, County and municipal combined will not exceed $1 on every $100 property valuation.

That ne advolorem tax be levied for State and pension purposes and in lieu thereof there be a tax on incomes, franchises, inheritances and some licenses; for example on the liquor traffic; that taxes for school funds and for county and municipal purposes be derived from a general property tax; that the tax now levied on trades, professions, business licenses be divided between counties and municipalities.

WARM WIRELETS.

Barry Johnson, the actor, who murdered Kate Hassett, a member of the Keith Theatre Stock Company, Monday night, and then shot himself, was dying last night at the Hahnemann Hospital, Philadelphia.

At Union City, Tenn., Elmore Cunningham killed his brother, T. N. Cunningham, by striking him over the head with a poker. The men engaged in a dispute over a crop settlement.

James Rochelle Tyler, a grand son of President Tyler, died yesterday at the Confederate Soldiers Home in Richmond, Va., aged sixty-four years. He came to the home from Southampton county in 1895. He was a lieutenant in the First battalion of Virginia infantry.

A Frightened Horse,

Running like mad down the street, dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy, and there is none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

STATEHOOD BILL IN THE SENATE.

Substitute Offered to Admit Oklahoma and Indian Territory as One State.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Bill Passed to Appropriate $50,000 to Defray Expenses of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission, After Two Hours' Discussion.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The Senate to-day began the real work of disposing of the business before it, although the session lasted but an hour and a half. When an adjournment was taken at 1:30 o'clock out of respect to the memory of Representatives De Graffenreid and Sheppard of Texas, the bill to amend the immigration laws was under discussion. Early in the day Senator Nelson, from the Committee on Territories, reported a substitute for the Omnibus Statehood bill, with the recommendation that Oklahoma and Indian Territory be admitted into the Union as one State under the name of Oklahoma. When the Immigration bill was brought up, Senator Quay precipitated a discussion over the status of the Statehood bill which was determinated by a ruling from the chair that beginning on December 10 it would be the unfinished business and that at the close of the morning hour each day it would be laid before the Senate unless displaced by a vote of that body.

House of Representatives.

The House passed to-day the bill to appropriate $50,000 to defray the expenses of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission, and then adjourned until Friday, when the London dock charge bill will be considered. There were two hours of discussion on the commission bill, during which the President's course in creating the commission was highly commended except by Mr. Benton, a Missouri Democrat, who contended that the commission was created without authority of law or the constitution. There was some criticism of the feature of the bill allowing double salaries to members of the commission now in government employ, and because the bill left the amount of the compensation of the members to the President. But all amendments were voted down, and the bill was passed without division.

Before the discussion began Mr. Gaines, of Tennessee, stated that he desired to offer an amendment. The chair having ruled that amendments were not in order at this time Mr. Cannon, in charge of the bill, agreed that the amendment should be read for information. It proved to be an amendment to place anthracite coal on the free list.

"I presume the eleventh commandment might also be read," remarked Mr. Cannon sententiously, who proceeded to say that he had no desire to discuss the bill. It showed on its face what was. It merely provided for the payment of the expenses of the coal strike commission.

Mr. Benton, of Missouri, a member of the Appropriations Committee, to whom Mr. Cannon yielded, declared that he could not support the bill. As an original proposition containing authority for the creation of a commission to settle the coal strike, it would, he said, have received his support But this bill proposed to place in the President's hands $50,000 for the payment of the expenses of a commission for which there was no authority, statutory or constitutional. The President, he said, had no authority for the creation of the commission. If he could appoint a commission to settle the coal strike without law, he could appoint a commission to settle our commercial or trade relations with Germany or any other sort of commission that seemed good to him.

"I know," saidhe, "that to refer tothe constitution is to place myself in the roleofaback number. Nevertheless Ido have respect for the constitution and the laws and I do not approve of this sort of proceeding."

"Do you think the President should have waited until Congress enacted a law for the creation of a commission?" asked Mr. Hemenway, of Indiana.

"I believe it was unlawful for the President to act as he did," replied Mr. Benton, who proceeded to say that his second objection to the bill was that it placed $50,000 in the President's hands without any limitation whatever.

Mr. Livingston, of Georgia and Mr. Underwood, of Alabama, supported the bill, although they agreed that the President's action was irregular.

Mr. Bartlett of Georgia, said the President had acted patriotically. Mr. Cochran of Missouri, Mr. Feeley of Illinois, Mr. Gaines of Tennessee, and Mr. Maddox of Georgia, endorsed the action of the President.

Mr. Cannon, in charge of the bill, argued that it should pass in the form in which it was presented. If the President's action had been without authority of law or constitution, Mr. Cannon said, it had been taken in response to an overwhelming public sentiment. "I sometimes think," said he, "that a just and righteous public sentiment coming up from the whole country of 80,000,000 people which begets action is for the express purpose it represents, larger than the constitution."

The bill was then passed without division, although there were several dissenting voices on the Democratic side.

The House adjourned until Friday.

A TRAIN FOR MILLIONAIRES

Is to Run Between Chicago and Florida Resorts.

Chicago, November 21—Chicago is to have a millionaire's train between this city, Jacksonville and other Florida resorts, which will be as fine in equipment and as fast in time as the famous train running over the Atlantic Coast Line from New York to Florida points. The new train will be placed in service by the Eastern Illinois soon after the first of the year, and will make the trip from here to Jacksonville in thirty hours, instead of thirty-one as heretofore.

All the equipment to be used is to be new and is now in course of construction by the Pullman company. The cost of the necessary equipment will be between $700,000 and $1,000,000.

This elegant new train from the West will be operated via Evansville, Nashville, Atlanta, Albany and the Atlantic Coast Line to Jacksonville, thence to St. Augustine, Fla.

It will be seen that the Atlantic Coast Line will maintain its reputation for perfect passenger service from the West, as well as from the East. †

Ordinary cough remedies are dangerous to give babies. Anway's Croup Syrup is made for children's coughs and croup and colds and will certainly cure them. Ask to see testimonials. 25 cents at Robert R. Bellamy's. †

EXPLOSION ON AN OIL STEAMER.

Two Men Are Missing and a Score of Others Were Seriously Injured.

ONE OF THE TANKS BLEW UP

Accident to the Steamer Progreso at San Francisco—Ship Broken in Two by Force of Explosion—Survivors Jumped Overboard.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—While the steamer Progreso was lying at the wharf of the Fulton Iron Works, at Harbor View, this morning, an explosion occurred. As a result twelve men are missing, a score were more or less seriously injured, and property valued at $300,000 was destroyed.

The disaster occurred at 9:45 o'clock while forty mechanics of the iron works and twenty employes of the ship were on board. Below the decks the mechanics were busy completing the work of changing the vessel from a coal-burning coal carrier to an oil burning oil carrier, when suddenly one of the tanks blew up. Men were hurled against the steel wall and a sheet of flame came sweepang into their faces. On the upper deck men were hurled into the air or thrown in to the water. Three sailors engaged in washing paint outside the pilot house disappeared as the cloud of black smoke came up from the ship and were seen no more.

Following the explosion the ship sagged in the center, showing that she had broken in two. In the office of the iron works, twenty feet away, every window was shattered and flying glass cut the faces and hands of many of the officials and clerks. As they rushed out into the open, survivors who were able to help themselves were leaping from the ship. A great crowd of mechanics came running out of the works. As soon as the panic had subsided, these men set to work to rescue men from the burning vessel. A stream of burning oil, running from the tanks, spread out until the ship lay on waves of fire. The flames crept under the wharf and soon the timbers were blazing, adding to the difficulty of the work of rescue.

As the ship was built of steel, the fire was nearly all below the deck. There were fourteen oil tanks containing about 400 barrels of oil in all, and despite the efforts of the fire department, this continued to burn fiercely for hours after the explosion.

The loss to the Fulton Company by the wrecking of the building and the burning of the wharf will exceed $30,000. It is estimated that the Progreo was worth about $175,000.

The explosion shook all the buildings at Harbor View and the shock was felt a mile away. In a few instances windows were broken several blocks away.

James Spiers, Jr., general manager of the Fulton Iron Works, is positive that the explosion was due to the oil and not to the bursting of the boiler. His theory is that gas was generated in one of the oil tanks. "It was certainly the explosion of a tank," he said. "If it had been a boiler explosion, a cloud of steam would have arisen, but there was no steam. Instead, it was black smoke from the oil. There was only a small pressure of steam at the time."

COTTON CROP STATISTICS.

Report of Department of Agriculture—Total Yield in the United States Estimated at 10,417,000 Bales.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The statistician of the Department of Agriculture estimates the actual growth of cotton in the United States in the year 1902-03 as 10,417,000 bales of an average net weight of 490.5 pounds.

The area picked or to be picked is estimated at 27,114,103 acres, a reduction of 764,237 acres or 2.74 per cent. from the acreage planted.

The total production of lint cotton is estimated at 5,111,870,038 pounds, an average of 188.5 pounds per acre.

The estimated production by States, in pounds of lint cotton per acre is as follows: Virginia, 248; North Carolina, 236; South Carolina, 199; Georgia, 165; Florida, 120; Alabama, 144; Mississippi, 230; Louisiana, 262; Texas, 148; Arkansas, 168; Tennessee, 252; Missouri, 352; Oklahoma, 282; Indian Territory, 244.

The phenomenally favorable weather that has prevailed almost continually for some weeks past throughout a large portion of the cotton belt has made a substantial addition to the cotton crop as indicated on October 3rd. All the eight States which at that date reported a condition higher that at the corresponding date last year have still further improved their positions, while two (Louisiana and Mississippi) of the five States that compared unfavorably with the year 1901 now report slightly higher average yields per acre than a year ago, leaving only Texas, Georgia and Alabama with an unfavorable showing.

The commercial crop will consist of the above mentioned 10,417,000 bales, together with 154,592 bales brought forward from last year, about 250,000 bales of linters and sample cotton, and so much of the crop of 1903-04 as may be marketed before September 1, 1903, less 198,190 bales of the present crop marketed before September 1, 1902, and so much of this same crop as may be carried forward to the year 1093-04.

A WORD TO THE WISE

THE MORNING STAR Business Locals Column offers the best, cheapest and surest means of getting quick returns on advertisements for—

Help Wanted,
Situations Wanted,
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Rooms For Rent,
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One cent per word each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 20 cents.
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For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

Mr. Jas. A. Whitfield Dead.

News reached the city yesterday of the sad death at Mount Olive, N. C., of Mr. James Alexander Whitfield who was well and favorably known by many Wilmington people. Mr. Whitfield passed away at 6 o'clock at the home of his sister, Mrs. A. J. Davis. Deceased leaves but one child, little Vivian Whitfield, eight years old, who has resided since the death of his mother several years ago, with his grandmother, Mrs. Minnie F. Powers, of this city. Mr. Whitfield was a man of splendid parts and strong character. The funeral will be held to-day at noon at Seven Springs and the interment will take place near there. Mr. Thos. B. Powers and Mr. Whitfield's little son went up to Mount Olive yesterday evening to attend the funeral.

Mr. Frank Powers to Wed.

Friends in the city yesterday received invitations, bearing the following announcement: "Mrs. and Mrs. James Robert Reade request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Effie, to Mr. Frank Poydras Powers, on the afternoon of Wednesday, the 17th day of December at half past four o'clock, Methodist Episcopal Church, Mt. Tirzah, near Helena, North Carolina." Mr. Powers, the prospective groom, is a popular postal clerk on the route between Wilmington and Norfolk.

Stole Full Dinner Pail.

Cicero Smith, a colored man who hails from Rocky Mount, was loafing about the railroad yards yesterday, and becoming hungry and yearning for something with which to refresh the inner man, he stole a full dinner pail from Jim Mack, one of the colored men unloading cotton from cars at the Champion Compress. Mack was wrathy when he discovered the loss, and summoning Policeman C. E. Wood, he had the Rocky Mount "coon" arrested and locked up at the station house.

A Valuable Pamphlet.

"The Art of Planting, Growing, Curing and Handling Fine Tobacco" is the title of an exceedingly neat and valuable twenty-five page pamphlet being distributed by the Navassa Guano Co., in view of the movement for the cultivation of the weed in this section. The information contained in the book is attractively grouped under proper headings, making it easily obtainable. The book is distributed free by the Navass Company.

Dr. Kilgo at Y. M. C. A.

The Rev. Dr. Jno. C. Kilgo, the distinguished president of Trinity College, will speak at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Both ladies and gentlemen are cordially invited. The music will be conducted by Mr. Dushan assisted by Mr. James Craft and a male chorus. A tenor duet will be sung by Mr. Dushan and Mr. W. L. Williford. Dr. Kilgo's subject will be announced later.

Many Marriages Yesterday.

These marriages are announced: Miss Mary E. Taylor, of Wilmington, to Mr. Joseph Roger Mintz, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mintz, of this city; Miss Cornelia Buie, daughter of H. R. Buie, and Mr. William L. Rivenbark, all of Delgado; Miss Mary Elizabeth George, daughter of Mrs. Lizzie A. George, of Wilmington, and Mr. Jno. D. Mellin, all of this city.

An Approaching Wedding,

The engagement is announced of Miss Annie Laura Bronson, daughter of Mrs. Joseph Bronson, of Wilmington, to Mr. John Steadman Collins, of Raleigh. The marriage will take place at 8:30 on the morning of Wednesday, December 24th. Mr. Collins is stenographer in the Southern Railway freight office in Raleigh and has a large circle of friends there.

Quality is what makes price. If Burnett's Vanilla Extract was no better than other extracts its price would be the same. Once tried always used.

You Know What You Are Taking

When you take Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic, because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing that it is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, no pay, Price, 50c. as tu th

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We handle only the best grade of Welsbach goods. Welsbach Drop Lights from $2.50 up, for lamp stand and tubing complete. Consolidated Railways, Light & Power Co. dec 4 1t

Wanted—1,000 Old Feather Beds. Highest cash prices paid. Address Feathers, care THE MORNING STAR, Wilmington, N. C. dec 3 2t*

For Sale—Horse, Buggy, Surry and Harness. Horse perfectly sound, a good roadster and anybody can drive her. B. F. King. dec 2 tf

Wanted—A trustworthy gentleman or lady in each county to manage business for an old established house of solid financial standing. A straight, bona fide weekly salary of $18.00 paid by check each Wednesday with all expenses direct from headquarters. Money advanced for expenses. Manager, 330 Caxton Bldg., Chicago. dec 2 1m

For Sale, together or separately, the horse and buggy formerly owned by the late Dr. Powers. Horse warranted sound and gentle. Apply to Dr. T. V. Moore, Phœnix, N. C. nov 25 1w*

Call at Winstead's for all kinds of foreign and domestic fruit; Bananas a specialty. No. 213 Market and 215 North Front street. Bell 'Phones 203 and 637. oc 29 tf

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Important Notice.

We wish to inform our regular customers as well as the public at large that we have just received a consignment of Foreign Wines, which we offer to everybody at the following low price for a short time only:

Rhine Wine, Vintage		1898, per gal.,	$1.00
Port	" "	1900, " "	1.00
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Samples FREE at store.

Best Patent Flour, O. B., per barrel $4.50. Agent for celebrated Golden Irish Shad Netting.

Regular Hams 13c per pound.

JNO. H. KUCK,
Importer and Bottler,
No. 6 North Water St.
Bell 'Phone 185. no 2 tf

STATEMENT OF

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.,

At close of business Nov. 25th, 1902, condensed from report to Corporation Commission.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Furniture and Fixtures	$ 3 00	Capital	$ 25,000 00
Real estate	1,900 00	Deposits	951,406 34
Loans and Discounts	926,070 94	Accrued interest due depositors	5,948 97
Cash on hand and due from banks	109,425 48	Net Profits	54,343 1
Total	$1,037,398 42	Total	$1,037,398 42

J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President.
C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

H. Walters, J. W. Norwood, J. V. Grainger, N. B. Rankin, D. O'Connor, H. L. Vollers, Geo. R. French, J. W. Yates, Donald MacRae.
dec 4 tf

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Xmas Novelties.

Keep your eye on my Store and don't forget my

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Always Fresh,
Always Delicious.

J. W. Plummer, Jr.,

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A Hot Water Bottle is one of the most useful articles that we sell. It is often of great service in the sick room.

We have small face bags, half and one pint bottles and one and two quart bottles Some of them we guarantee for two years. When in need call and see the assortment at

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Three Night, Commencing Thursday, December 4th,

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Prices, 10, 20 and 30 cents

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This is to inform my friends and the public generally that I have opened at No. 15 North Second street a first class Family Grocery, where I am prepared to furnish the trade everything new and fresh in Fancy Groceries, Country Produce, Cigars, Tobacco, etc.

C. O. ALEXANDER.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 1st, 1902. dec 3 tf

Closing Out

My entire line of Musical Instruments, such as

Guitars, Banjos, Violins and Mandolins

to make room for Holiday Goods. In my Jewelry line will sell at New York cost.

J. T. BURKE,
The Jeweler, 27 South Front St.
dec 3 tf

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New lot Library Lamps. A beautful lot of Pictures; Enamel Beds from $3.75 up. Nice Line Rockers, Trunks and Stoves. New lot Felt Mattresses. Come and see us and get our prices. We guarantee to undersell any firm in the city.

GASTON D. PHARES & CO.

Inter-State 'Phone 76. 110-112 Market street.
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NOTICE.

On Monday, Dec. 1st, we will open a first class Grocery store in every particular at No. 15 South Front street. We will supply you with everything in our line perfectly fresh, of the very best quality and at moderate prices.

We would be much pleased to open an account with as many responsible parties as will favor us, particularly our old customers. Respectfully,

Wilmington Grocery.

JNO. L. BOATWRIGHT; Manager.
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The privilege of hunting on my lands near Wilmington having been leased, all persons are hereby warned against shooting, hunting, ranging or otherwise trespassing on said lands

nov 26 tf S. W. NOBLE.

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For terms apply to

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DIRECTORS:

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The management is prudent and economical as is shown by the fact that the Association has sustained no losses, and its annual expenses, including taxes, are only about Two Hundred.

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We can supply you with GUNS in all qualities. We keep in stock all kinds of Ammunition.

Loaded Shells, with either Black or Smokeless Powder.

HUNTING SUITS, GAME BAGS,

and everything necessary for a complete outfit for the Bird Hunter, the Deer Hunter, the Duck Hunter.

J. W Murchison & Co.,

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Sold over every counter as they are preminently the highest grade 5c Cigar in the U. S.

VOLLERS & HASHAGEN,
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I have a full line of

Ping Pong Sets,
Boxing Gloves, Punching Bags,
Foot Balls, Tennis Balls
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When in need of any kind of Sporting Goods call on or write to

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The Stationer,
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12,500 C. C. Nuts, 3½c.
2,350 pounds Loose Raisins, 7½c.
218 boxes L. L. Raisins, $1.75.
129 bbls. Baldwin Apples, $2.75.
247 boxes Mixed Nuts, 11½c.
241 boxes Smoked Herring, 18c.
1,980 bushels New Peanuts, 3½c.

W. B. COOPER,
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no 29 tf Wilmington, N. C

Christmas Goods.

Apples, Cocoanuts,
Mixed Nuts, Raisins,
Candies, Cakes.

All fresh choice stock. Prices low. Send in your orders before the rush begins and avoid delay.

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At 25 cents are universally praised by our customers.

Table Boarders are taken at $4.00 per week.

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These busy days our Store is thronged with customers.

I am glad to see them come. We try to make their shopping in our store a pleasure, and also profitable to them. Our large store is taking on a Christmas appearance. We are receiving large quantities of our Holiday Goods, of which we are selling quite a good many.

In our Clothing Department we are doing a very nice business. Our beautiful suits are worn throughout Carolina. We have plenty left for you. We keep in stock new and up to-date. For your Christmas suit come to us. We will sell you a beautiful black Worsted Suit for $5.00, and a nice pretty Serge Suit for $5.00. Pretty colored Cheviot Suits for $4.00. Black Clay Suits for $2.98. In real nice suits for $7.50, $9.00, $10.00 and $12.50 we have a good many styles. If you are thinking of buying a nice suit and would like to save money on your purchase we will ask that you look over our stock.

Shoes! Shoes!!—Cold weather has come and every one needs shoes. We have Baby Shoes from 10c to 50c a pair. Misses Shoes, 5 to 8, strictly all solid, at 50c; 9 to 12, at 60c and 75c; 13 to 2, at 75c and $1.00. Real nice little Gents' Shoes worth $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50. The Old Homestead Shoes for Boys and Girls, which are worth $1.75 and $2.00, we have them for $1.25 and $1.50.

Ladies' and Misses Ready-to-Wear Hats!—We have just bought out a large wholesale house in New York city. We have the latest shapes and the most nobby trimming at half price. A nice line of $1.00 Hats we are selling at 50c. We have a beautiful line in swell styles at 75c, 89c and $1.00 each. Our $1.25 Hats are the latest things that are made. The price is the only cheap thing about them. We mean what we say—we are selling them at half price. Fancy feather breasts and wings at reduced prices A big lot of wings, breasts and feathers at 10c—goods that have been selling at 25c.

Fifty dozen pretty felt hats to close at 25c each.

A nice line of new furs, ladies' scarfs with three tails, we are running at 98c; a very handsome scarf in different colors for $1.98 each; we have a full line of these goods from 98c to $5.00 each.

Ladies' and Misses' cloaks—We are receiving these goods new daily. We have good clocks for $2.89, $3 75, $5 00, Nice Monte Carlo cloaks at $6.00, $8.00, $10.00. Automobile coats $6.00 up to $12.00; children's coats $98c to $5.00 each.

Our cloak department seems to be in great demand. If you are thinking of buying a new wrap of any kind we would like to say we are headquarters for them. Ladies skirts—Black mercerized underskirts—we have an extra nice line, beautifully made up with ruffles and flounces and absolutely fast colors; skirts at 50c and 75c, with accordeon pleated bottoms; our $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and $2 00 skirts are, we think, the prettiest line in the city. We also have the knit skirts from 50c to $1.50.

Dressing Sacques in assorted colors, made of heavy flannels, and beautifully made, at $1.00 each; Lap Robes for baby carriages in bright colors, 75c each; Buggy Robes from $1.50 to $3 00; Baby Caps and Wool Hoods and Fascinators—good silk caps as low as 20c, 25c, 50c and up to 98c; Wool Hoods 10c each and up to 50c; Fascinators from 20c to 50c; Infant Knit Sacques at 25c; Ladies' beautiful Knit Shawls $1 00 to $2 25 each.

Our Corset Department keeps well abreast with the times. Our R & G. Corsets we have reduced, to close out, at cost; $1.00 corset for 75c and the 75c corset for 60c; we sell the best 50c corset sold in the city; will sell you a good corset for 23c, 25c and 38c.

Our large store is a popular trading place. We keep our large stock fully up to the season. All customers wishing to have their photo enlarged into life size oil paintings before Christmas can do so by coming down and making arrangements with us whether they have traded the required $20 or not. We will be glad to have them ready for you to use as Christmas presents.

GEO. O. GAYLORD, PROPRIETOR.

Wilmington's Big Racket Store.

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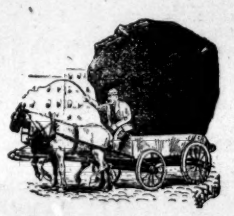
A HARD PULL!



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The Newest Things in Men's Neckwear.

Our Men's Ties are the prettiest and most striking creations shown for many seasons.

The new Four-in-hand Ties, full length, of elegant material, in black with white embroidered flowers Black with red or blue satin stripe on edge. White with black stripe in center, and many other new designs, sold by most stores for 65 and 75c. Nothing nicer for Christmas presents for stylish young men. Our introductory price 50 cents.

Our display of Holiday Novelties will be complete in about one week.

It will be a display that will eclipse anything of its kind during the past season.

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Does your trade increase with stale peanuts? Now take the hint—keep up with the times and get the

ONLY PEANUT ROASTER

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NO LABOR (3 minutes).
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For Men are the best wearers and more stylish than any other Men's Shoes known to the American people. Prices for Vici Kid and Pat. Calf $5.00, Pat. Kid and Pat. Colt $6.00. For sale only by

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